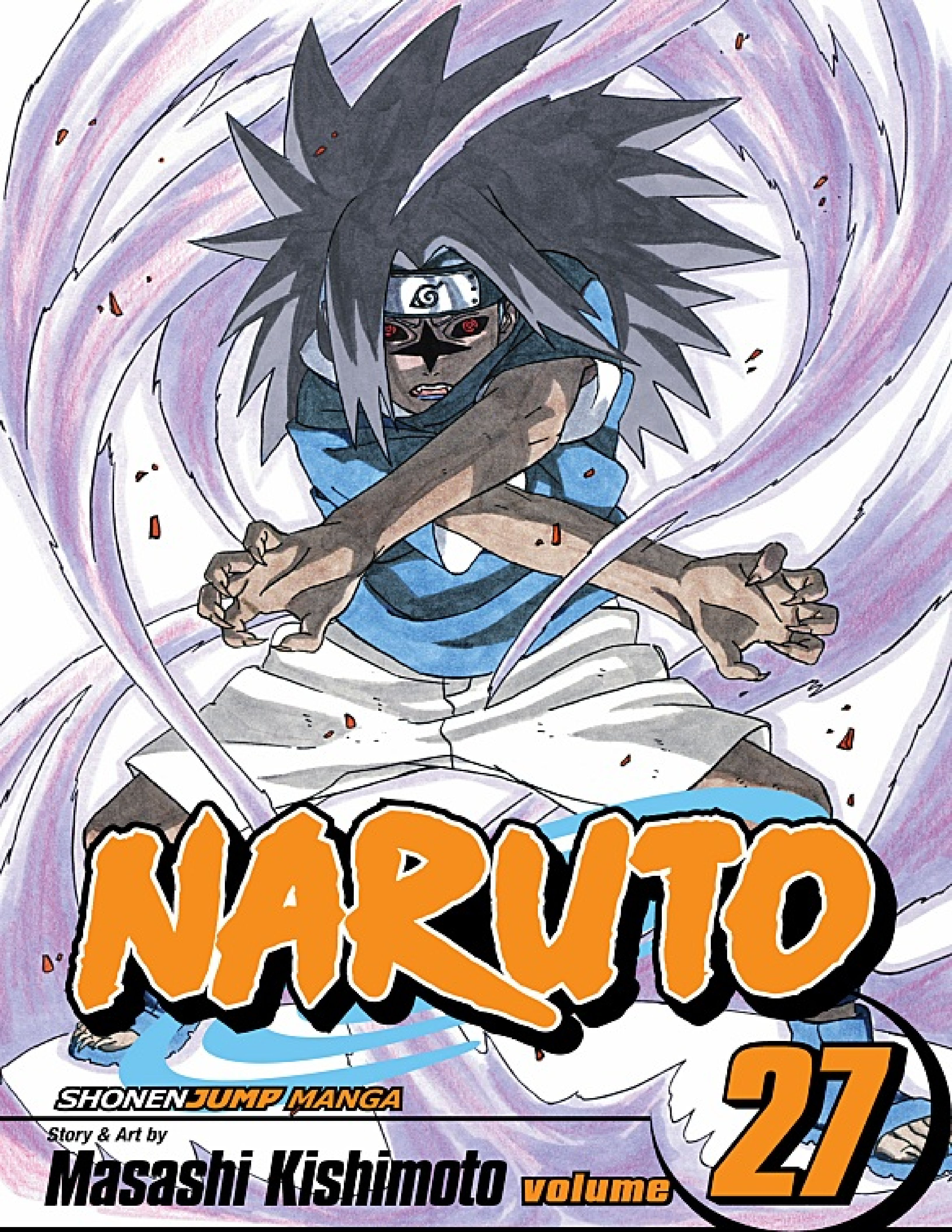
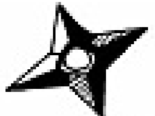

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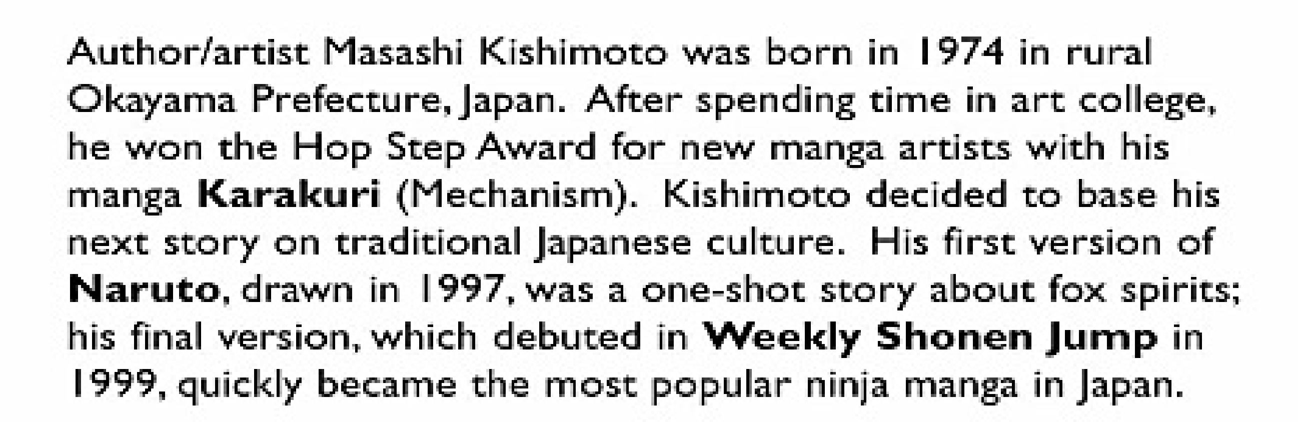




Perhaps it seems abrupt, but it felt right to end part one with this volume. The next book will begin part two. In a sense, though, I don't think *Naruto* needs to be broken up into parts... Anyway, stay with me, folks!

—Masashi Kishimoto, 2005

岸本斉史



Author/artist Masashi Kishimoto was born in 1974 in rural Okayama Prefecture, Japan. After spending time in art college, he won the Hop Step Award for new manga artists with his manga **Karakuri** (Mechanism). Kishimoto decided to base his next story on traditional Japanese culture. His first version of **Naruto**, drawn in 1997, was a one-shot story about fox spirits; his final version, which debuted in **Weekly Shonen Jump** in 1999, quickly became the most popular ninja manga in Japan.

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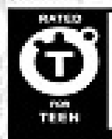
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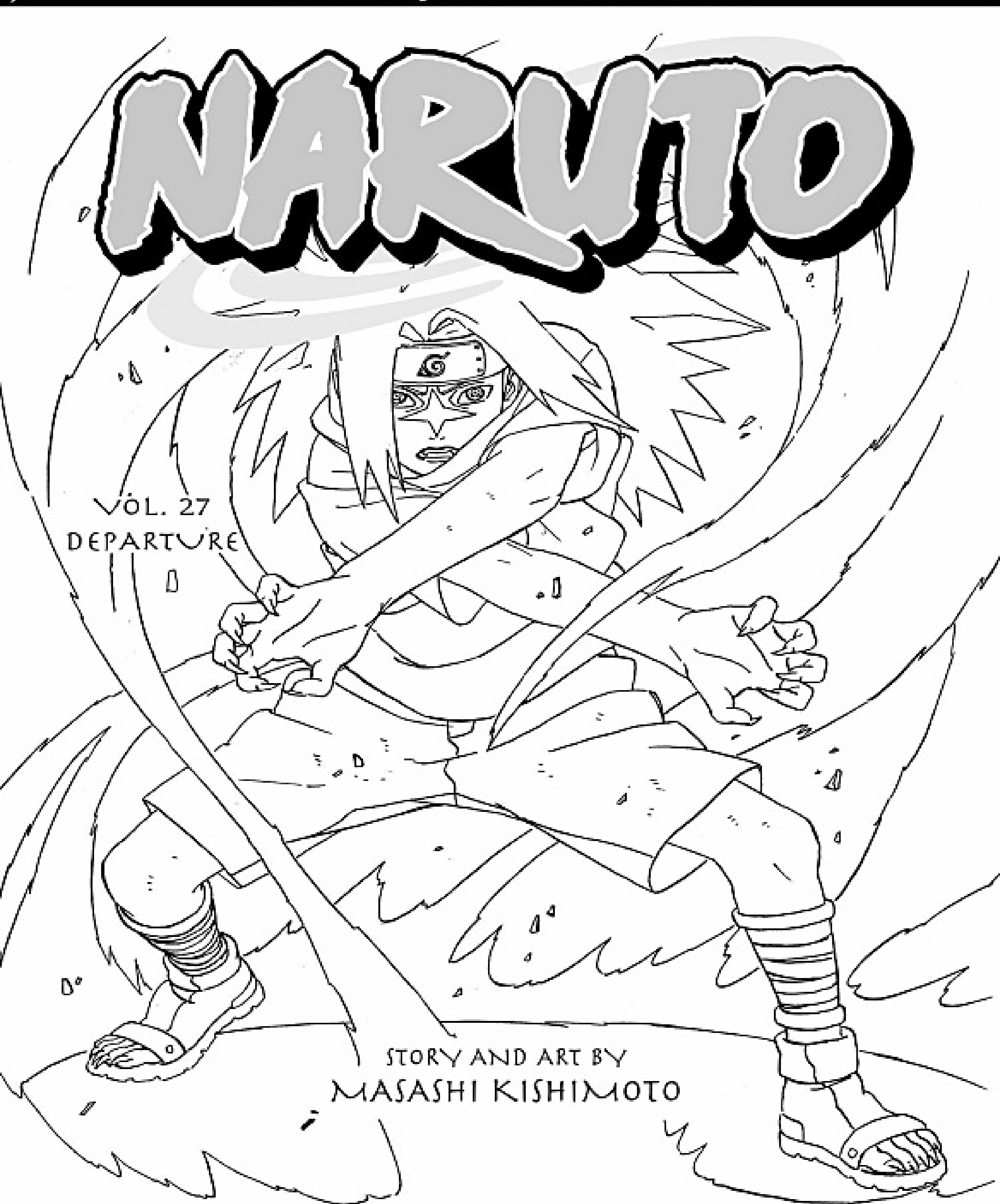




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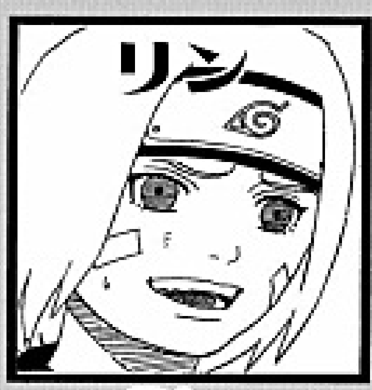


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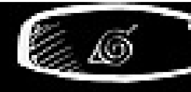
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Twelve years ago a destructive nine-tailed fox spirit attacked the ninja village of Konohagakure. The Hokage, or village champion, defeated the fox by sealing its soul into the body of a baby boy. That boy is Naruto, once the bane of the Konohagakure Ninja Academy. Despite the rough start, he and his friends, Sasuke and Sakura, successfully join the ranks of the ninja.

During the Chûnin Selection Exams, they are attacked by Orochimaru, who vanishes only after he places a curse mark on Sasuke. Halfway through the third exam, however, Orochimaru and his henchmen launch *Operation Destroy Konoha!* The attack is thwarted when the Third Hokage sacrifices his life. After a deadly battle with Orochimaru, Tsunade becomes the Fifth Hokage.

Lured by the power of Orochimaru, Sasuke departs Konoha in the company of the Sound Four. In pursuit of Sasuke, Shikamaru and his team weather desperate battles. Naruto clashes violently with Sasuke but he fails to stop his friend...


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春野サクラ
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Sasuke
うずまきナルト
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大蛇丸
Orochimaru

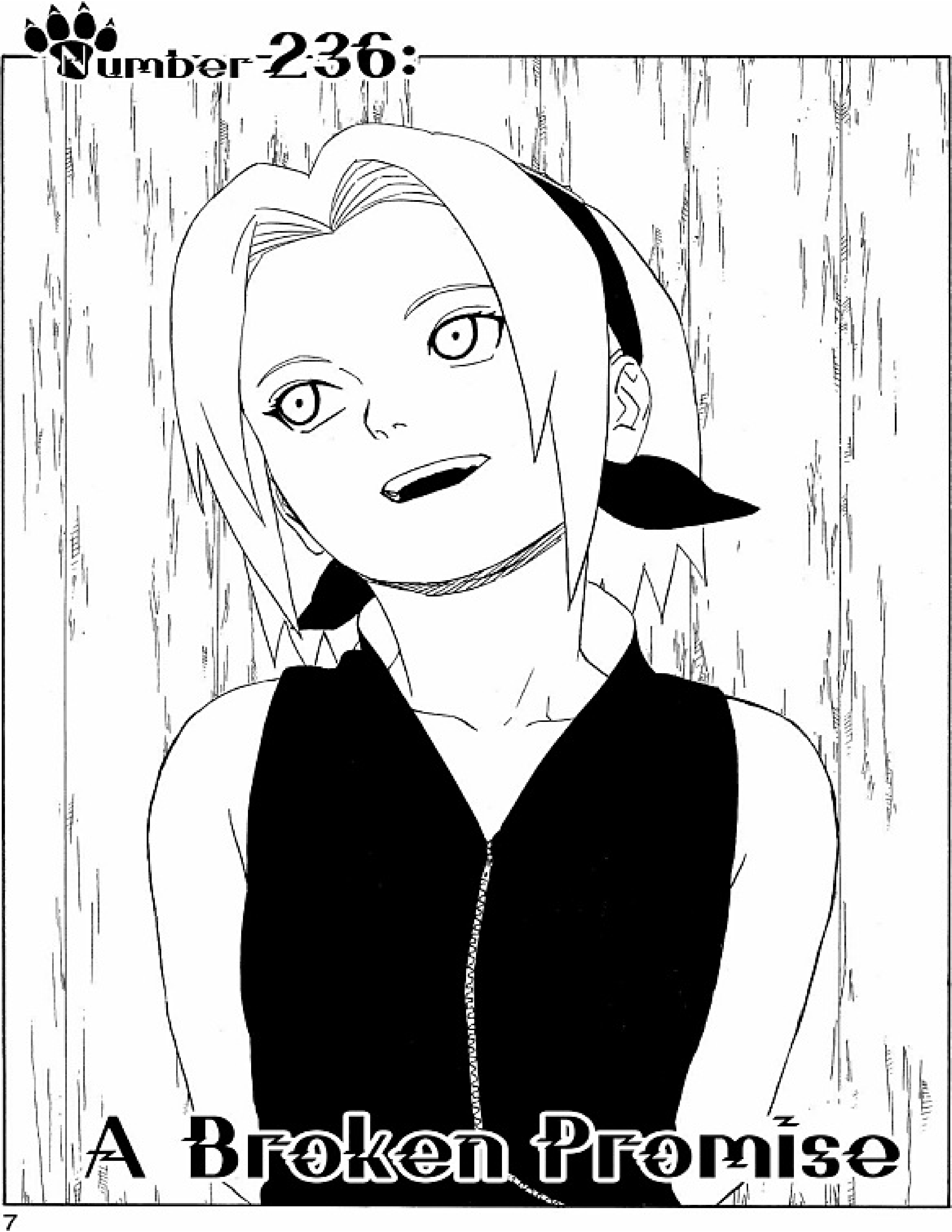


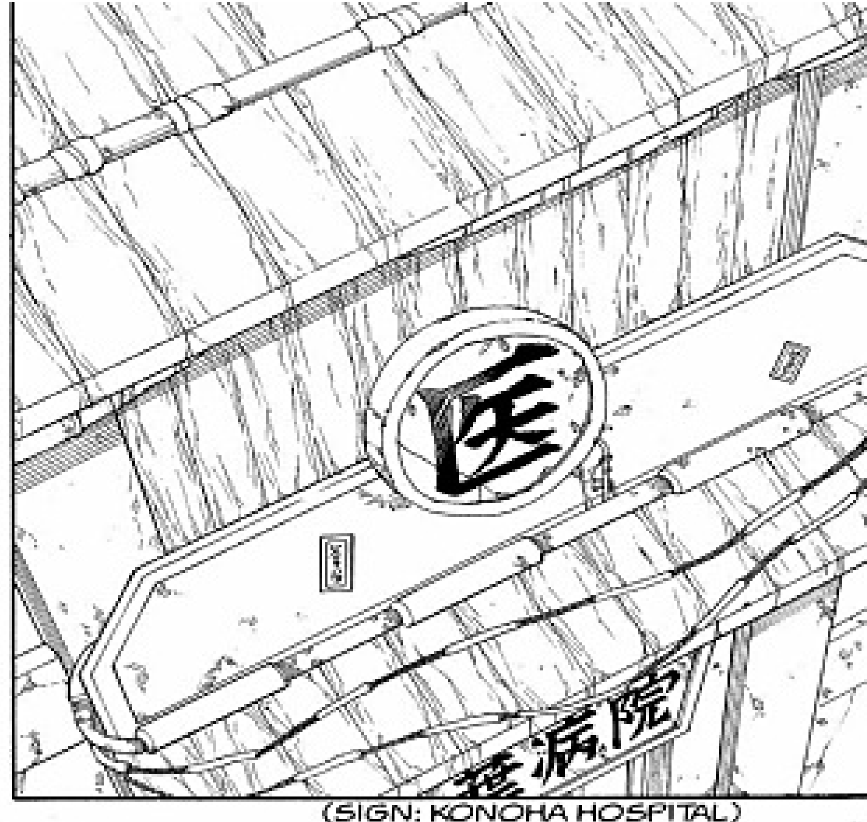
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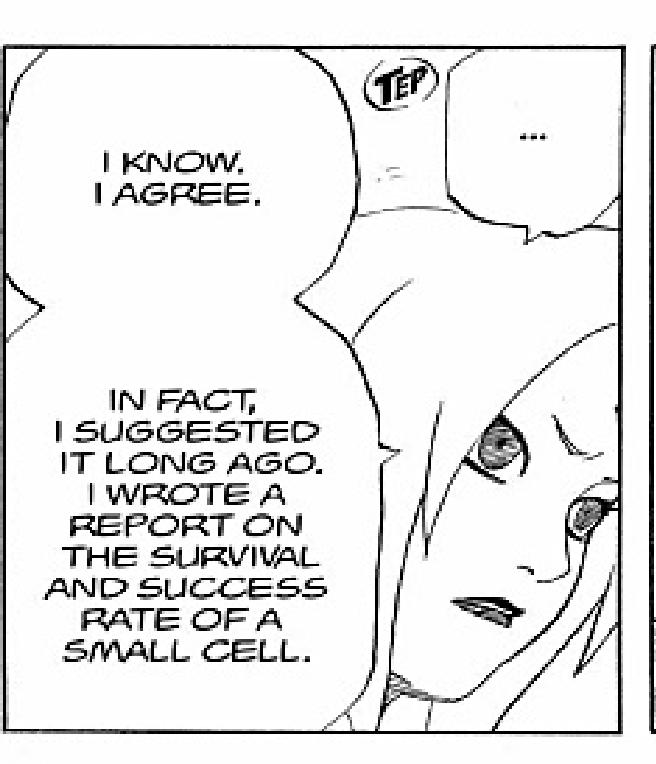

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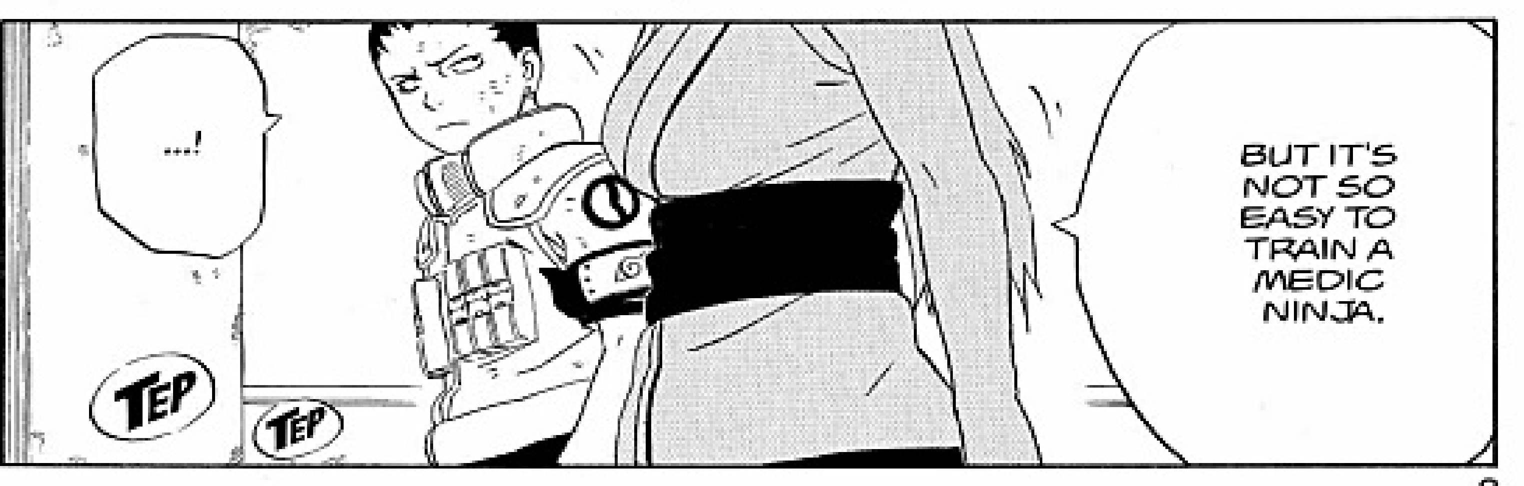


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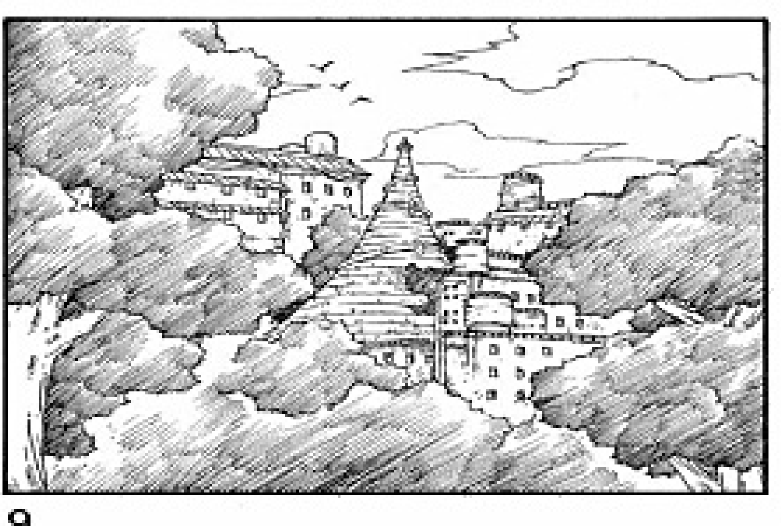
THEY DEMAND A DIFFERENT SKILL SET FROM A WARRIOR.
TO UTILIZE THE CHAKRA, IT TAKES A LIGHT AND PRECISE HAND...
...AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF EXPERTISE....
...AN ADEPTNESS AT PRACTICAL APPLICATION... PATIENCE...

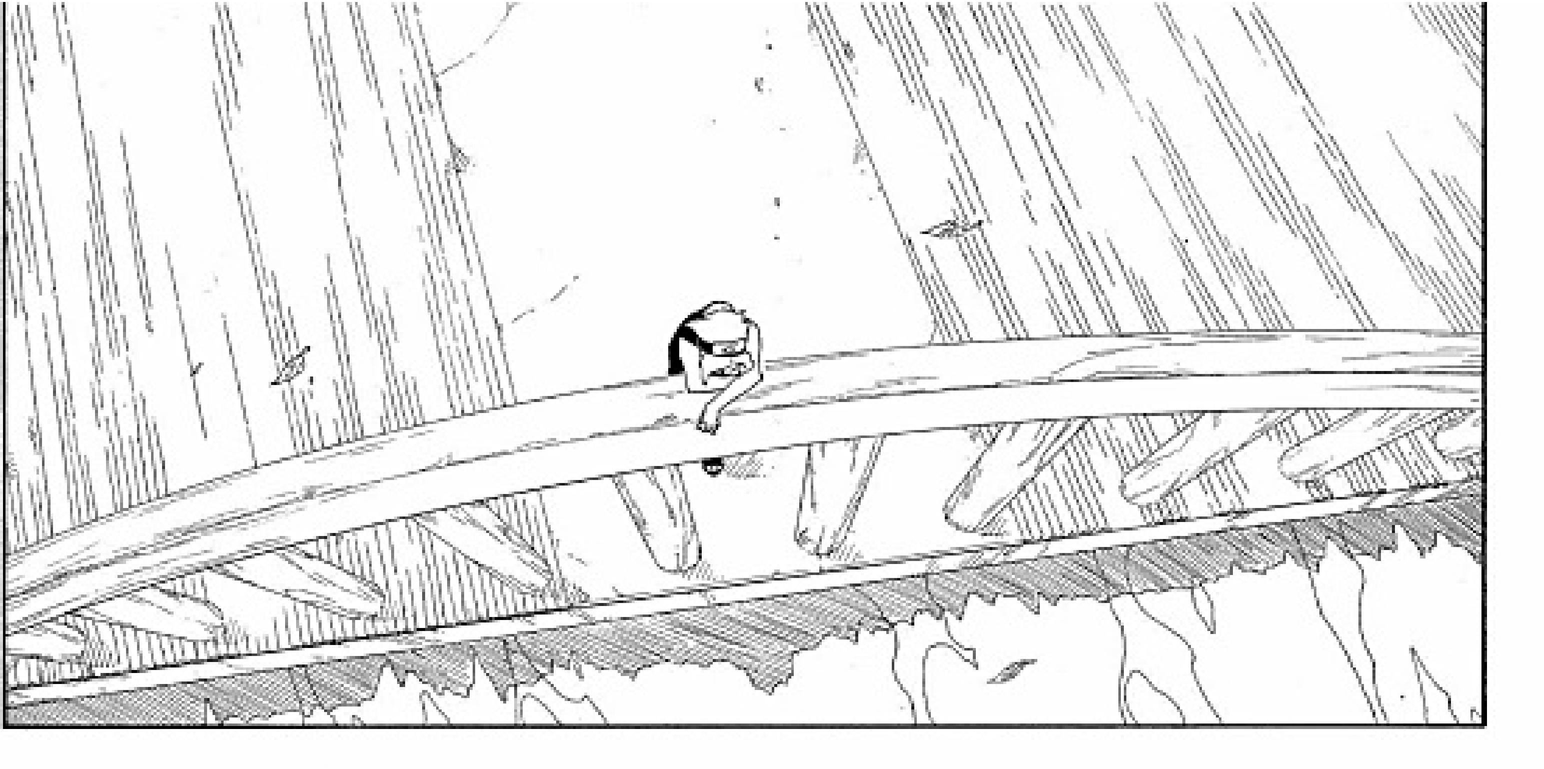


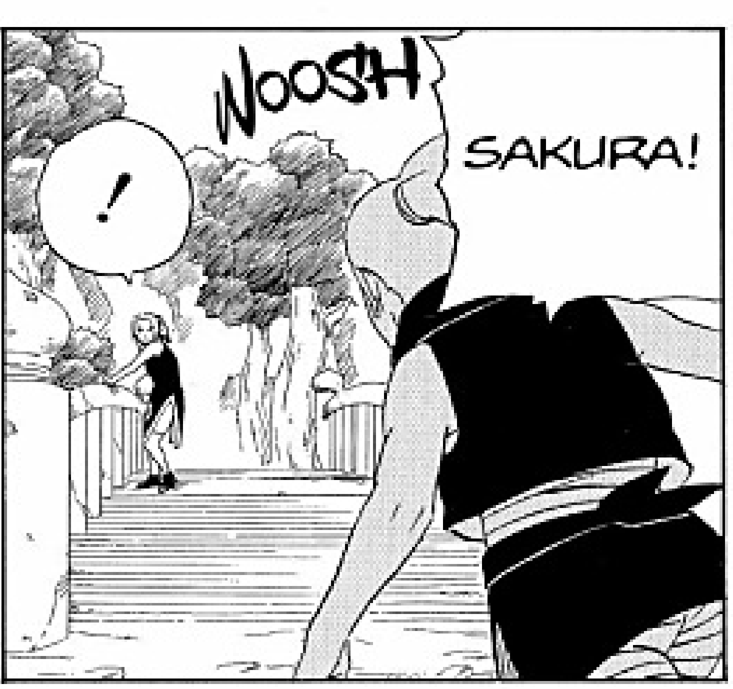


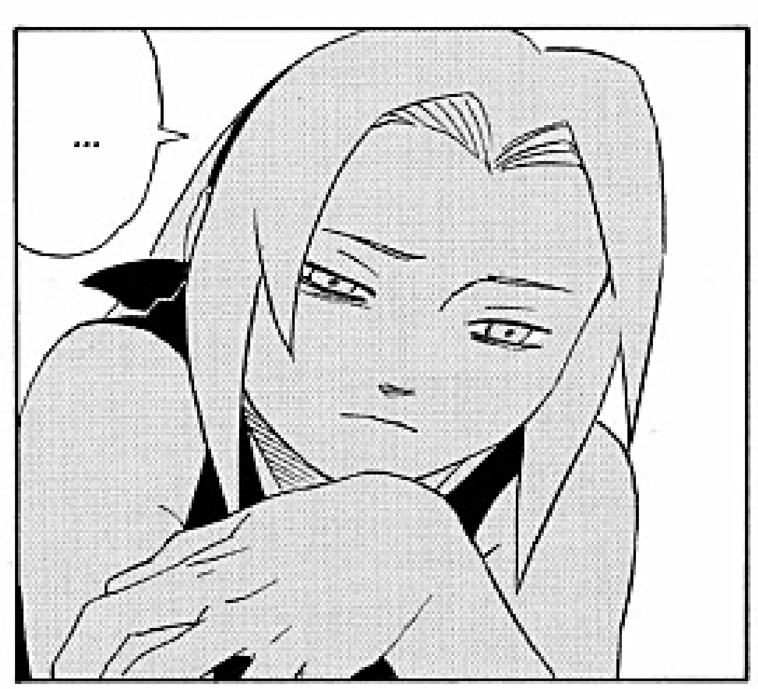


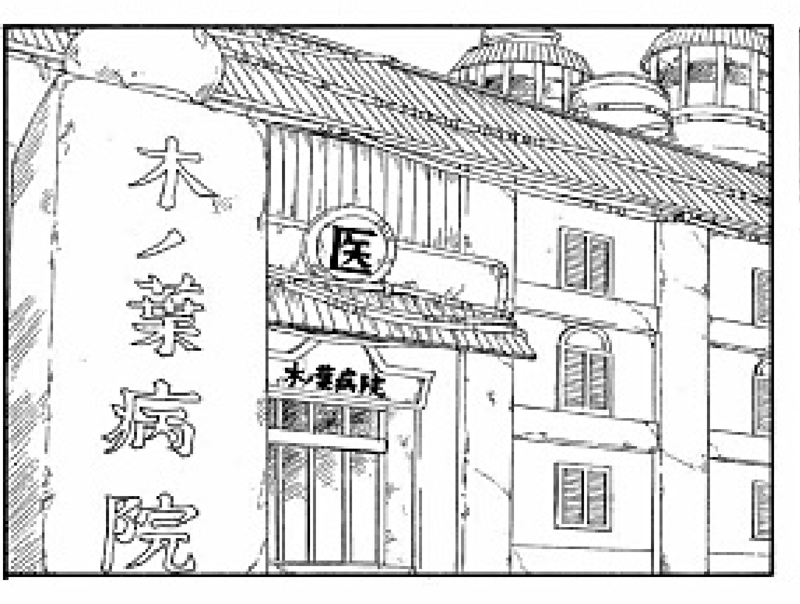


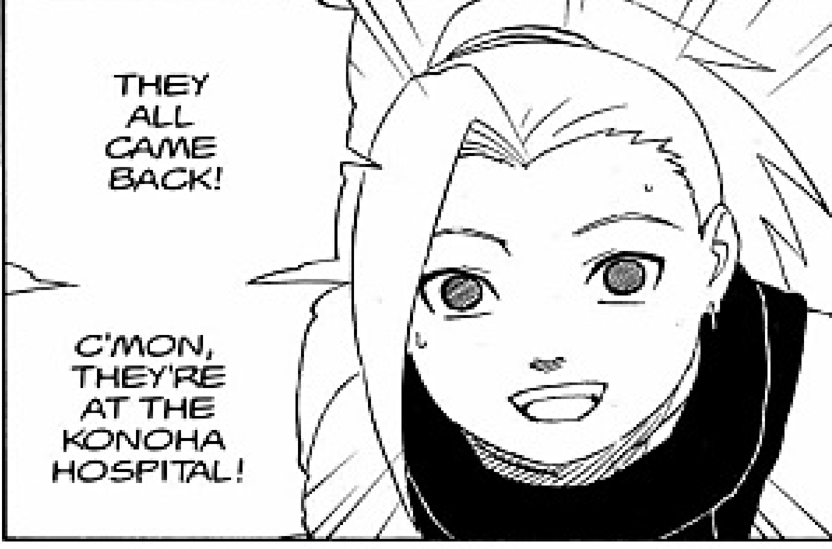




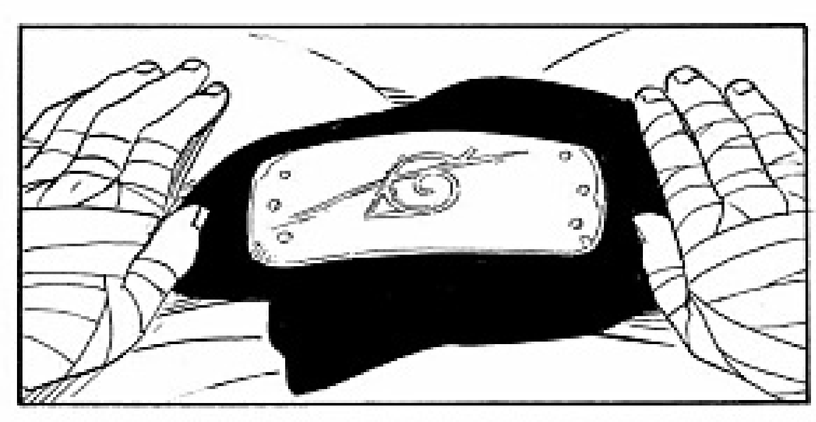

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SAKURA!
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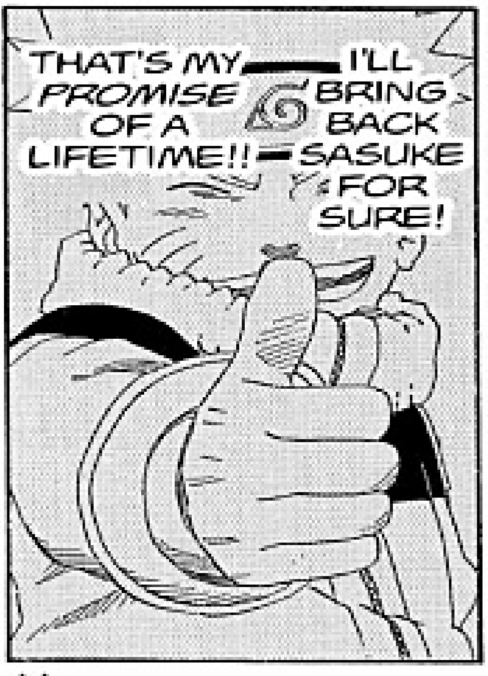

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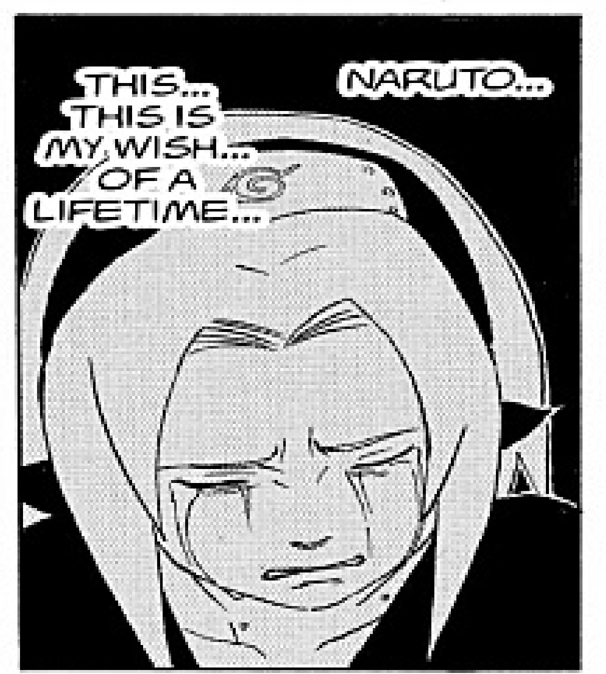

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THEY ALL CAME BACK!
C'MON, THEY'RE AT THE KONOHA HOSPITAL!






I'LL BRING BACK SASUKE FOR SURE!
THAT'S MY *PROMISE* OF A LIFETIME!!

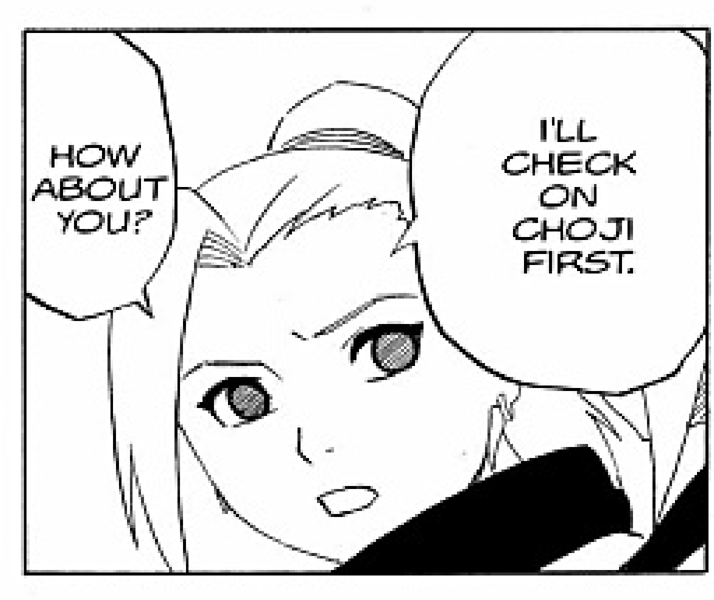

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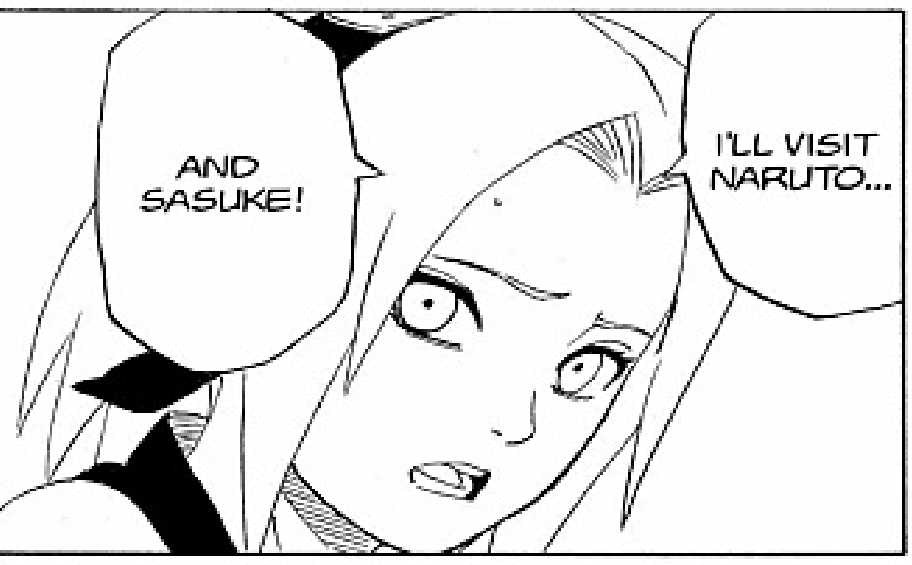

I'M GOING TO OROCHI-MARU!



...
NO REST FOR YOU?
!
SHIKA-MARU!
受付


READ THIS WAY


I'LL CHECK ON CHOJI FIRST.
HOW ABOUT YOU?


I'LL VISIT NARUTO...
AND SASUKE!


SO THEN...
...EVERYONE SURVIVED.
THAT'S A RELIEF.


...


SASUKE WOULDN'T...?

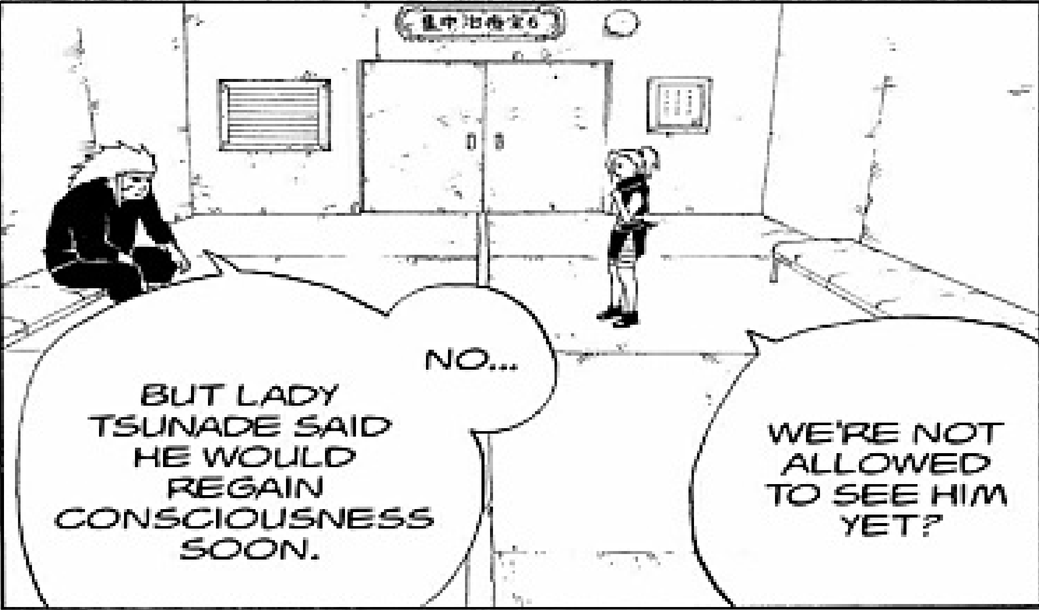

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NO.


HE'S GONE...
SWP
FUMP

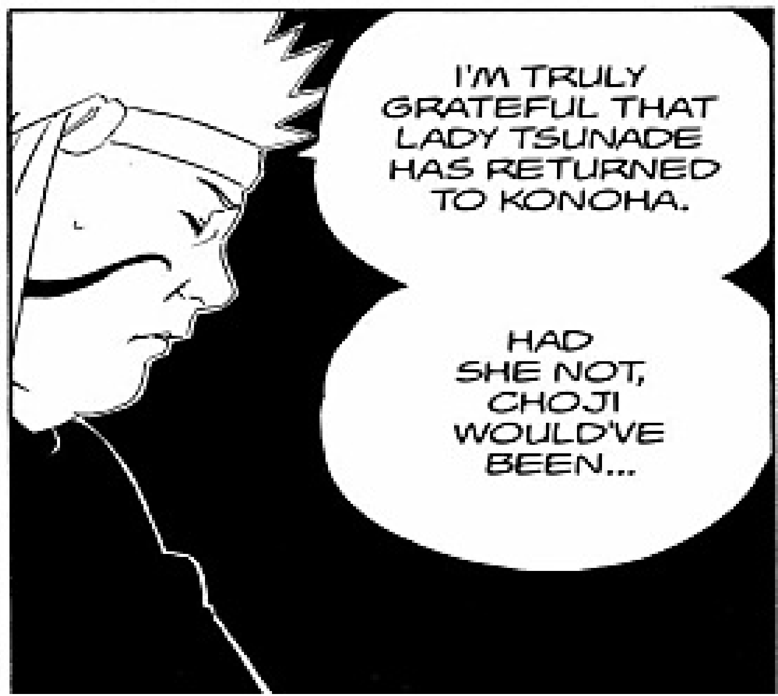


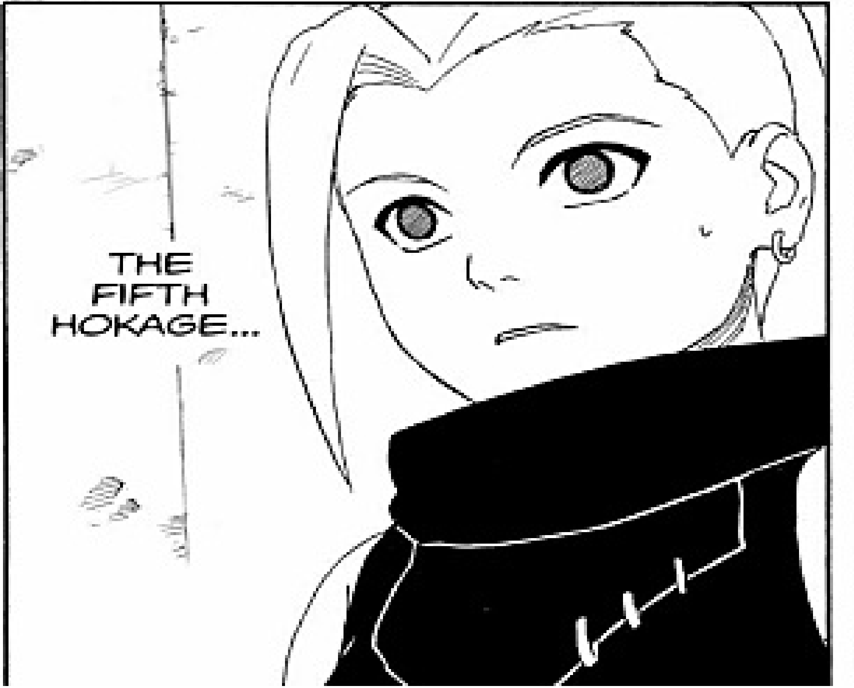


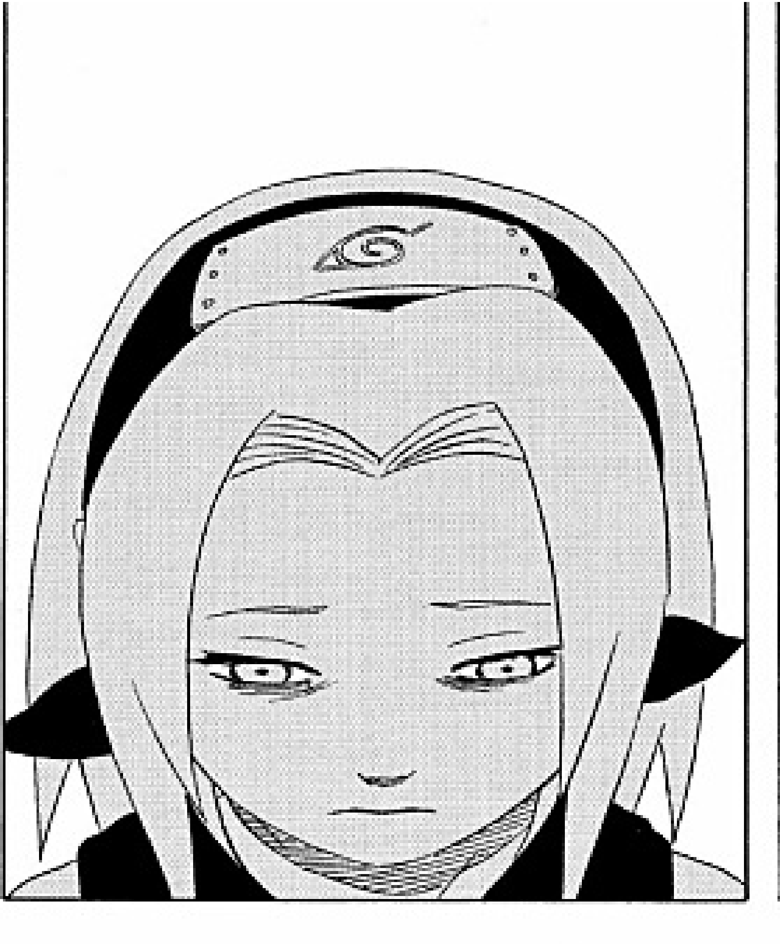
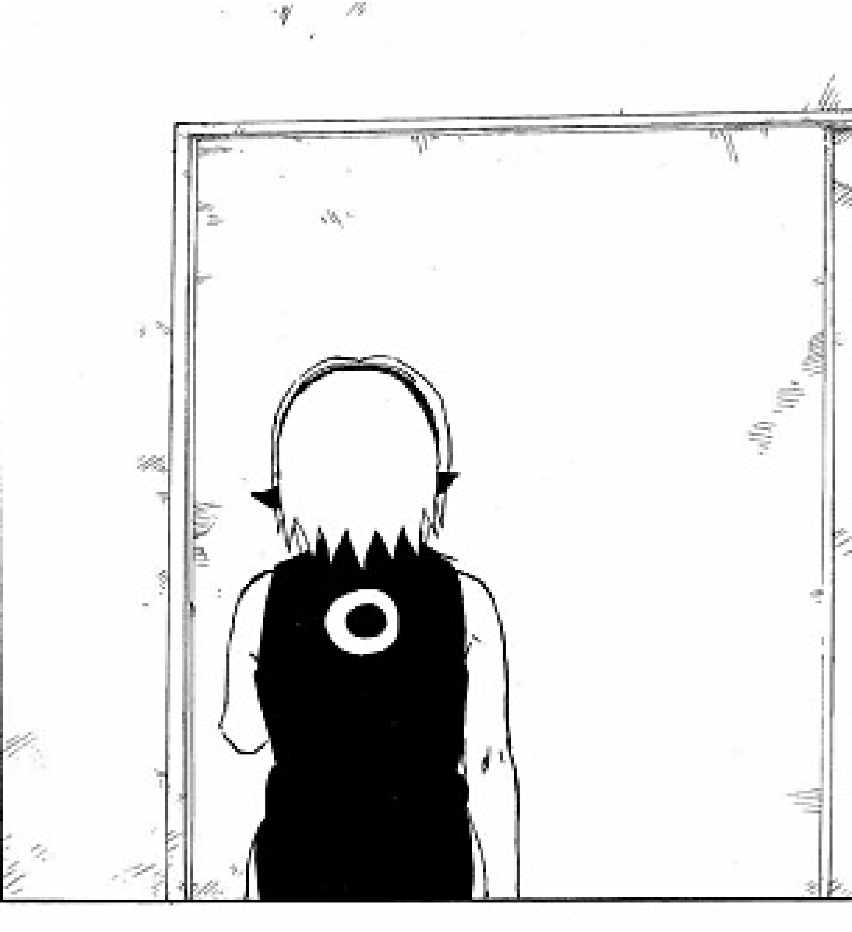
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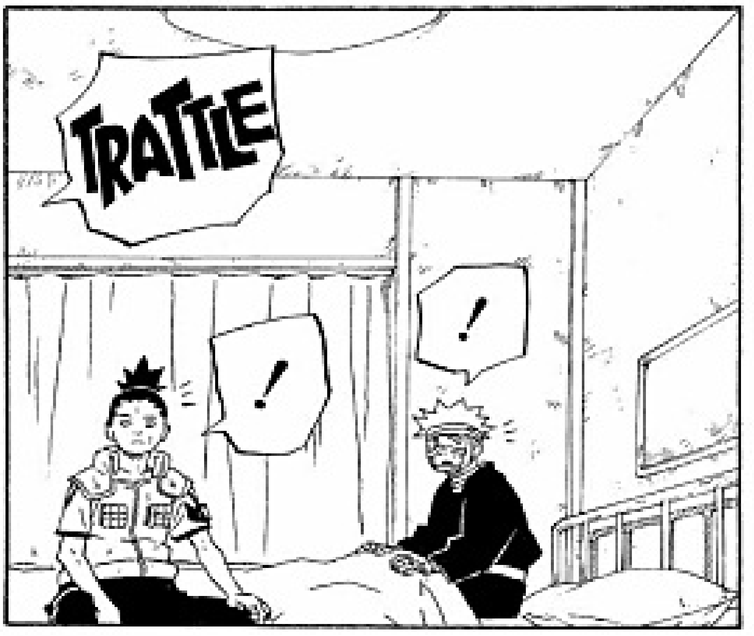




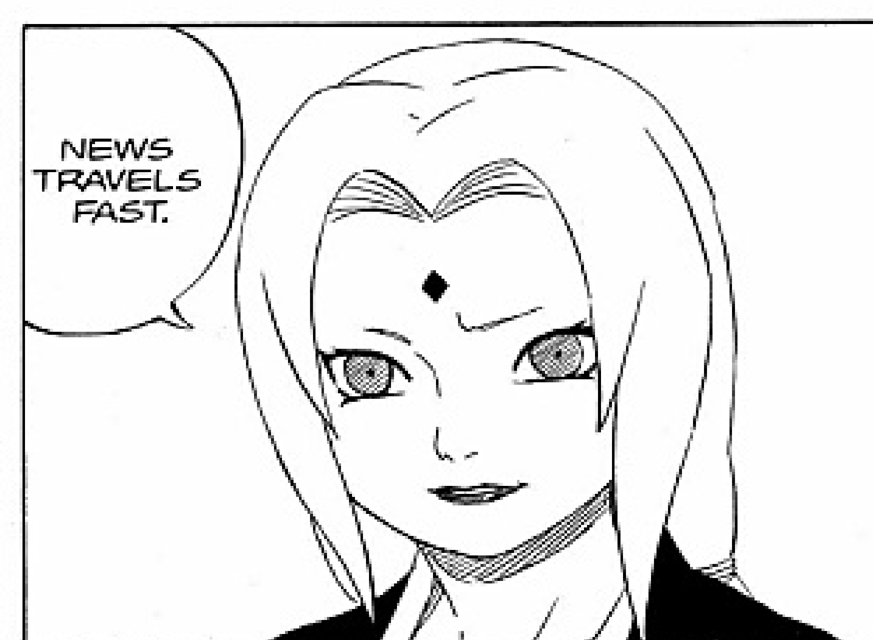



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YOU'RE... HARUNO SAKURA, RIGHT?
TEP
ARE YOU HERE TO VISIT THE PATIENT?

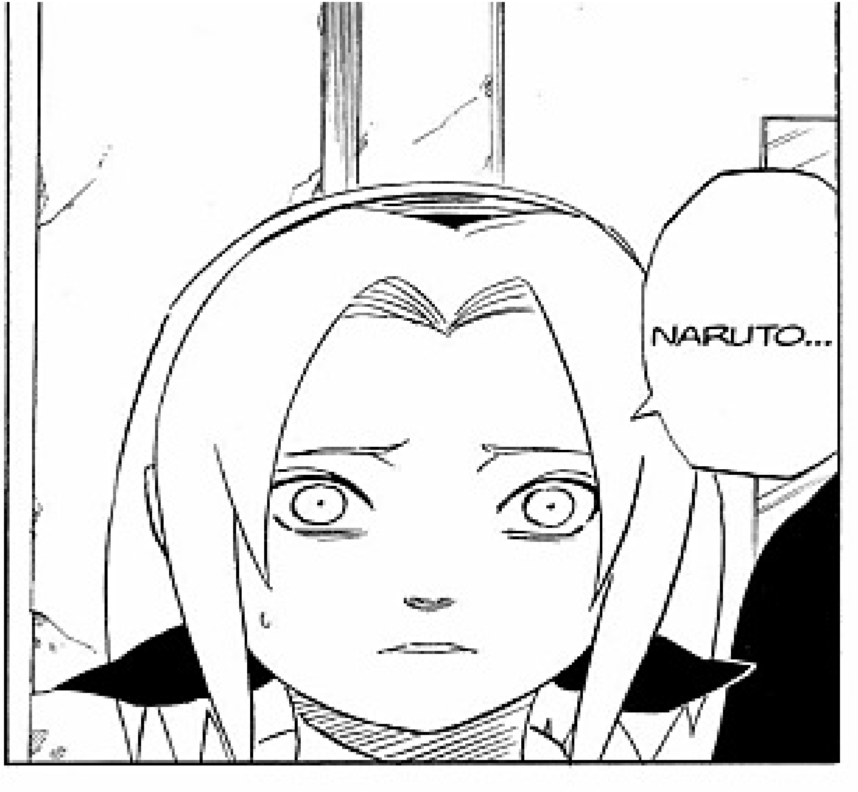


TRATTLE
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!



NEWS TRAVELS FAST.


SAKURA...


NARUTO...

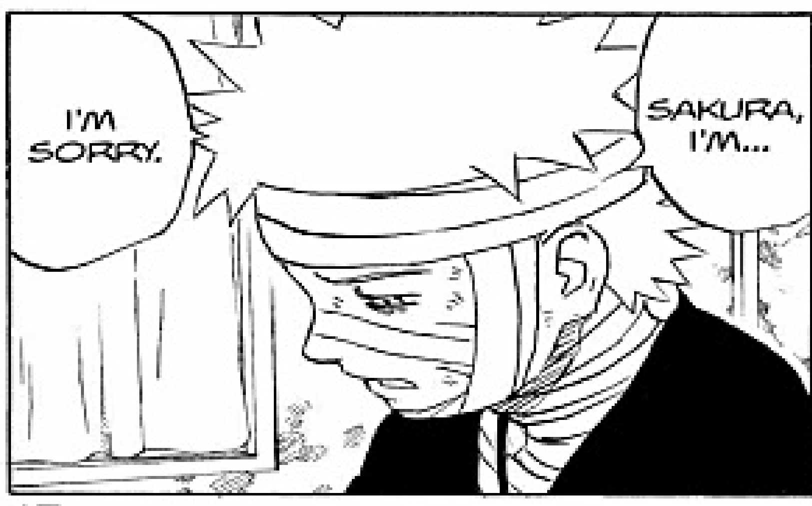

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I HEARD YOU WERE BADLY WOUNDED...
BUT YOU LOOK WELL ENOUGH TO ME.




SAKURA, I'M...
I'M SORRY.

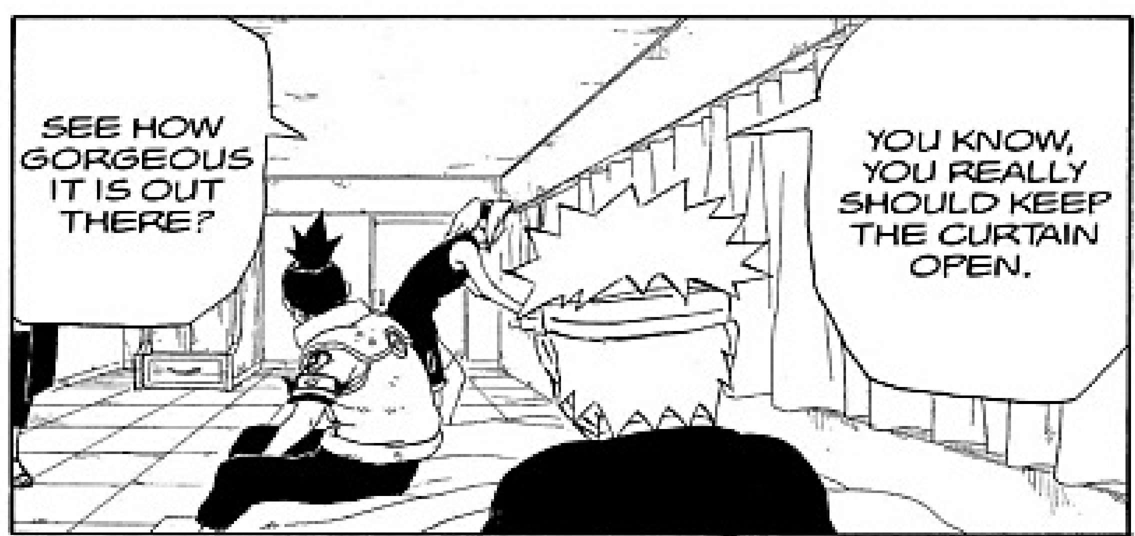
WHAT ARE YOU APOLOGIZING FOR?





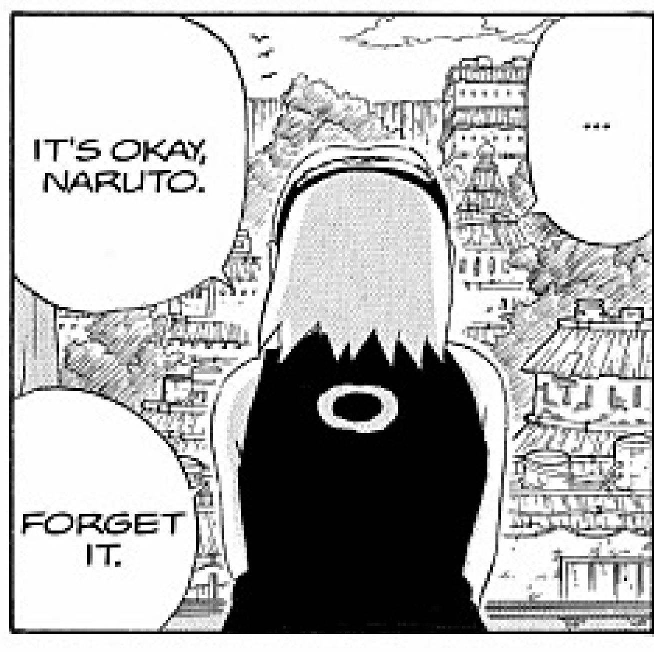






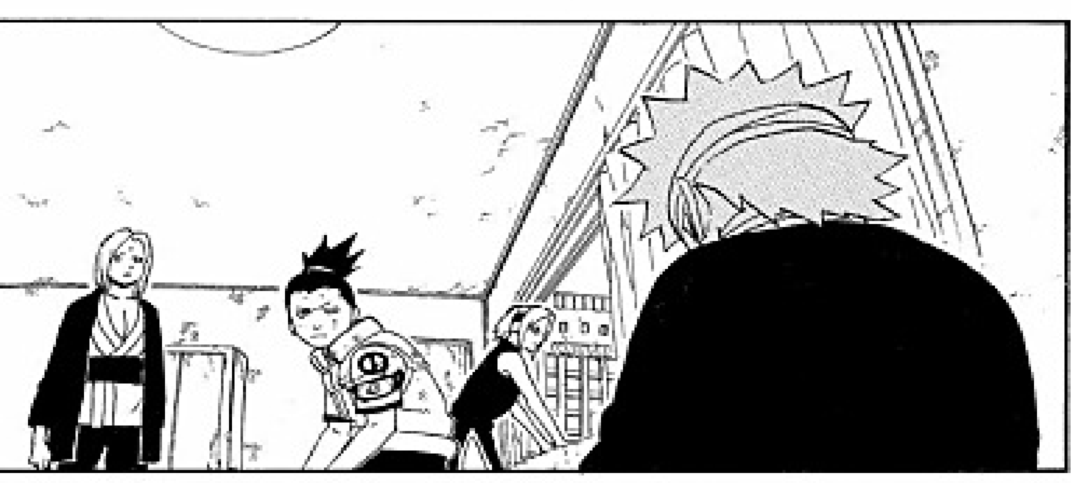
SAKURA! I...
I WILL KEEP MY PROMISE.
IT'S... MY PROMISE OF A LIFETIME.
I MEANT WHAT I SAID.



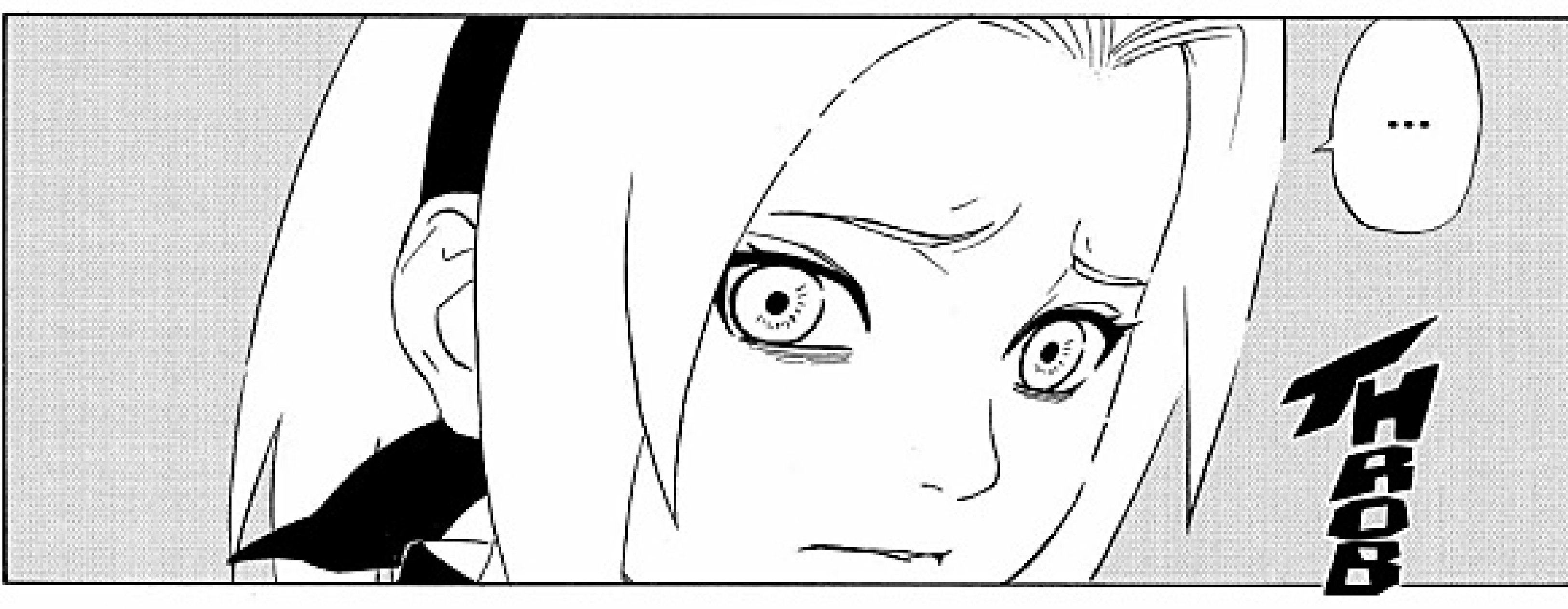








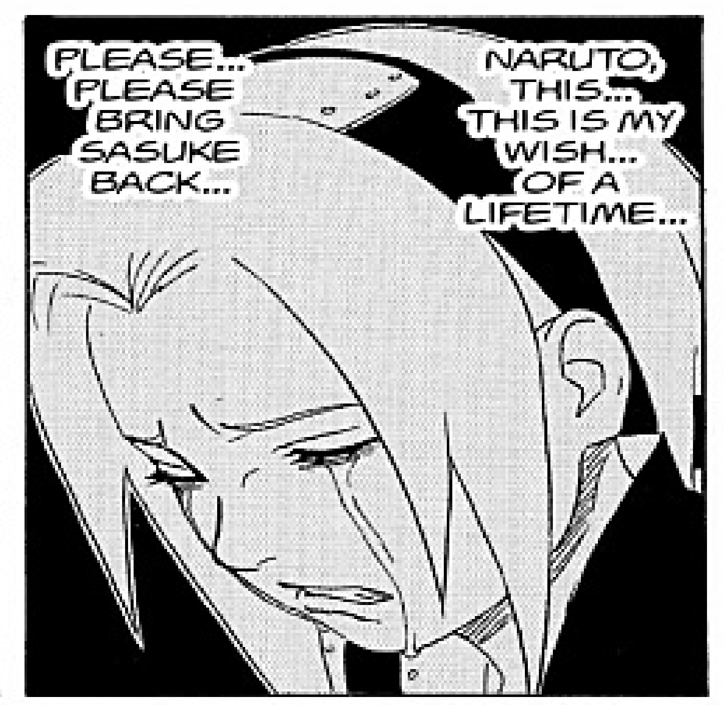
I NEVER GO BACK ON MY WORD.
'CAUSE THAT'S MY SHINOBI WAY...





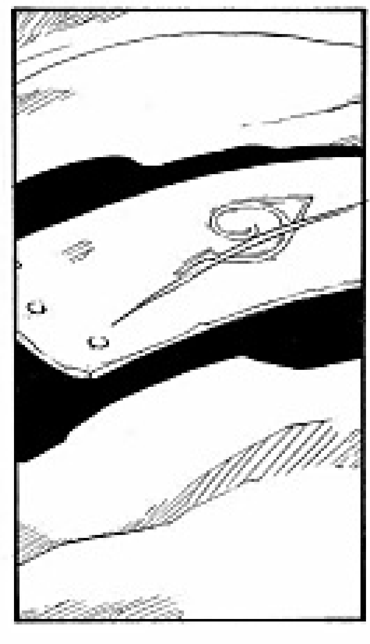


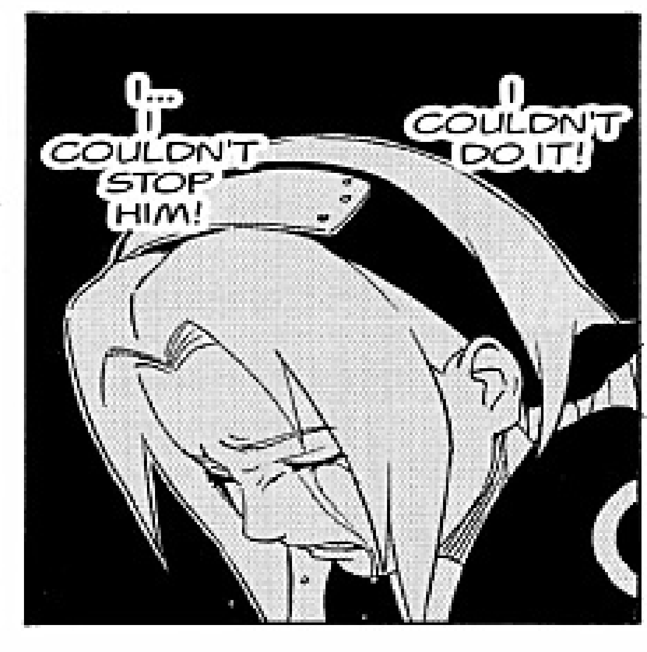



NARUTO, THIS... THIS IS MY WISH... OF A LIFETIME...
PLEASE... PLEASE BRING SASUKE BACK...

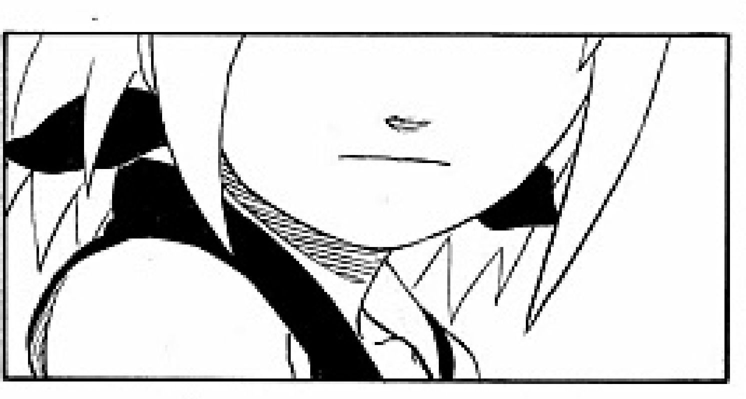



SO NOW... NOW, THE ONLY PERSON WHO CAN... STOP HIM... SAVE HIM... IS YOU.
JUST... YOU, NARUTO.




I COULDN'T DO IT!
I... I COULDN'T STOP HIM!



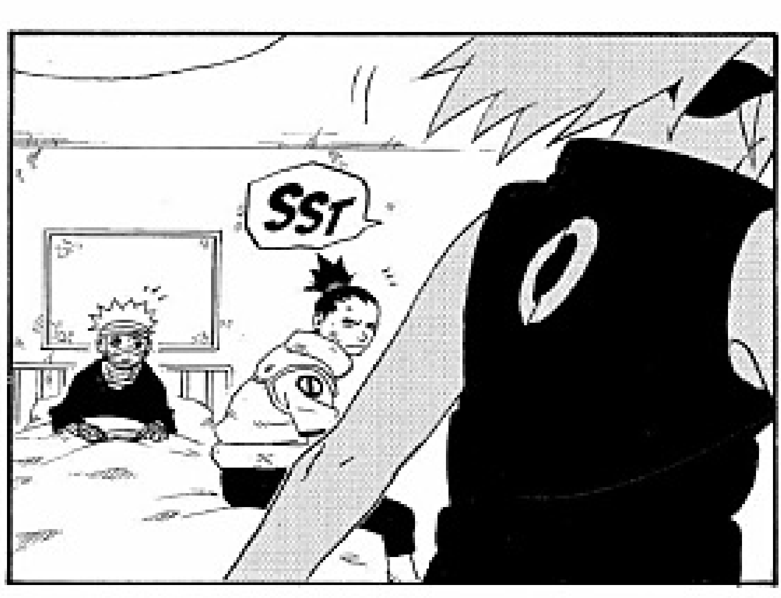




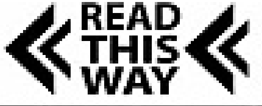
I...

ALL I DID WAS CRY FOR HELP...

I JUST CRIED AND REACHED OUT, AND CLUNG TO YOU...





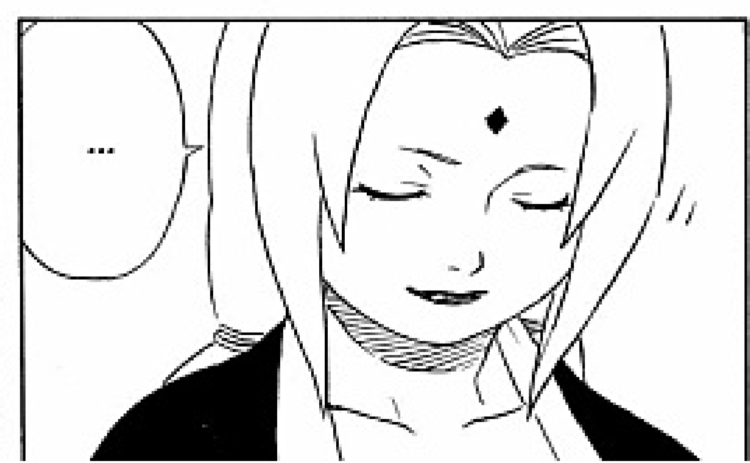








BUT NEXT TIME, I'M COMING WITH YOU!



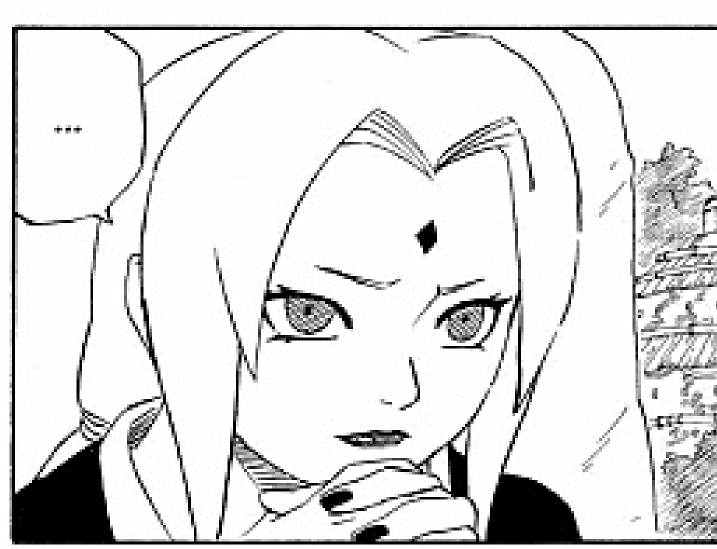
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ENTER!

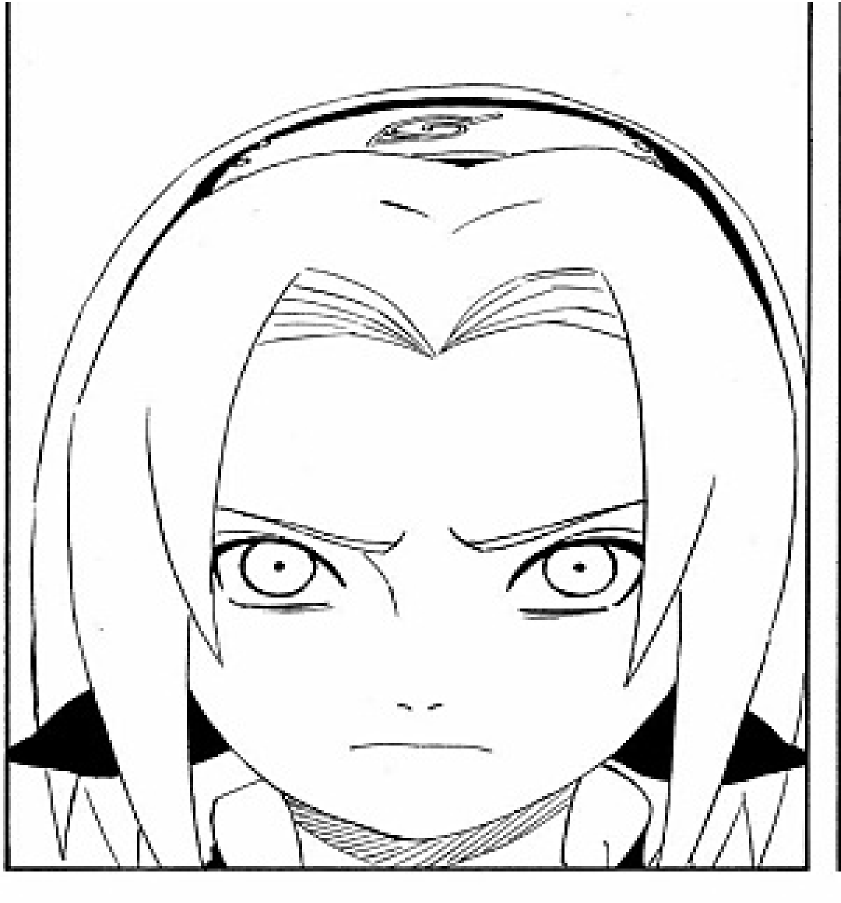

G'CHAK
YES?
I'VE COME TO ASK YOU A FAVOR.

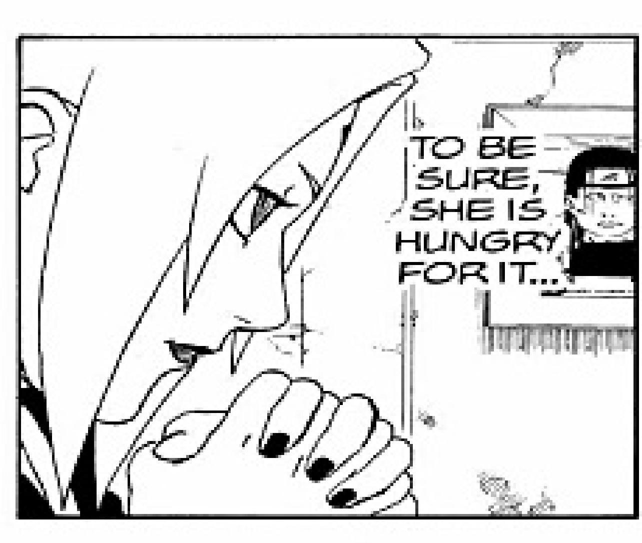

PLEASE...
TAKE ME ON AS YOUR APPRENTICE!


...

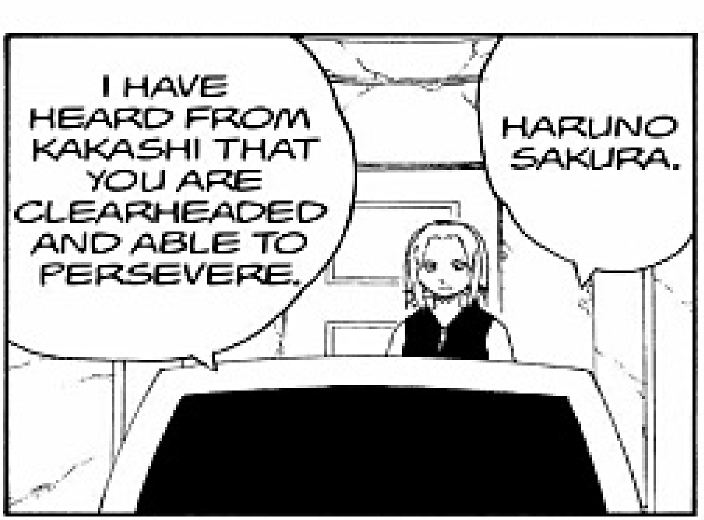


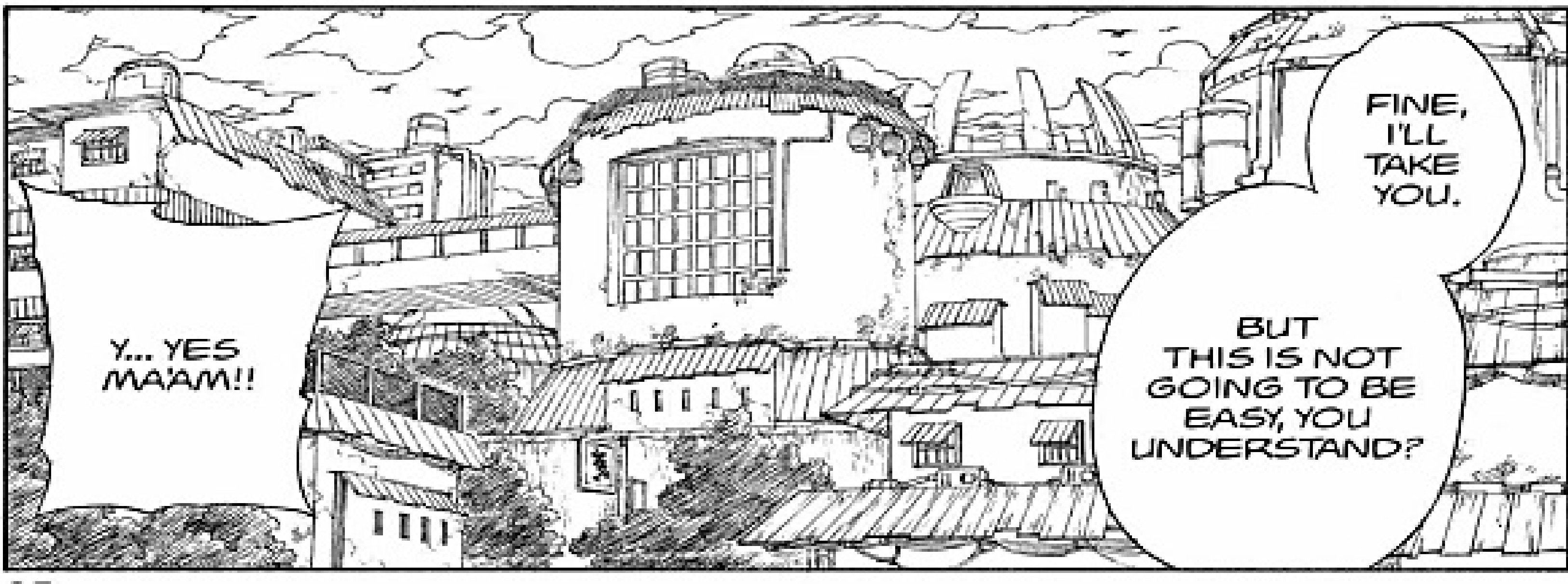

A SPECIAL SOME-THING...




TO BE SURE, SHE IS HUNGRY FOR IT...




HARUNO SAKURA.
I HAVE HEARD FROM KAKASHI THAT YOU ARE CLEARHEADED AND ABLE TO PERSEVERE.


FINE, I'LL TAKE YOU.
BUT THIS IS NOT GOING TO BE EASY, YOU UNDERSTAND?
Y... YES MA'AM!!

THE WORLD OF MASASHI KISHIMOTO
PERSONAL HISTORY: SPECIAL FRIENDS, PART 1

MANGA ARTISTS HARDLY HAVE TIME TO GO OUT. THE REASON? EVERY WEEK, A NEW DEADLINE. IT'S A PRETTY DEMANDING LINE OF WORK.

THUS I KEEP DECLINING INVITATIONS. CONSEQUENTLY, I KEEP SHEDDING FRIENDS. AT THIS POINT, MY ASSISTANTS ARE PRETTY MUCH ALL I HAVE LEFT.

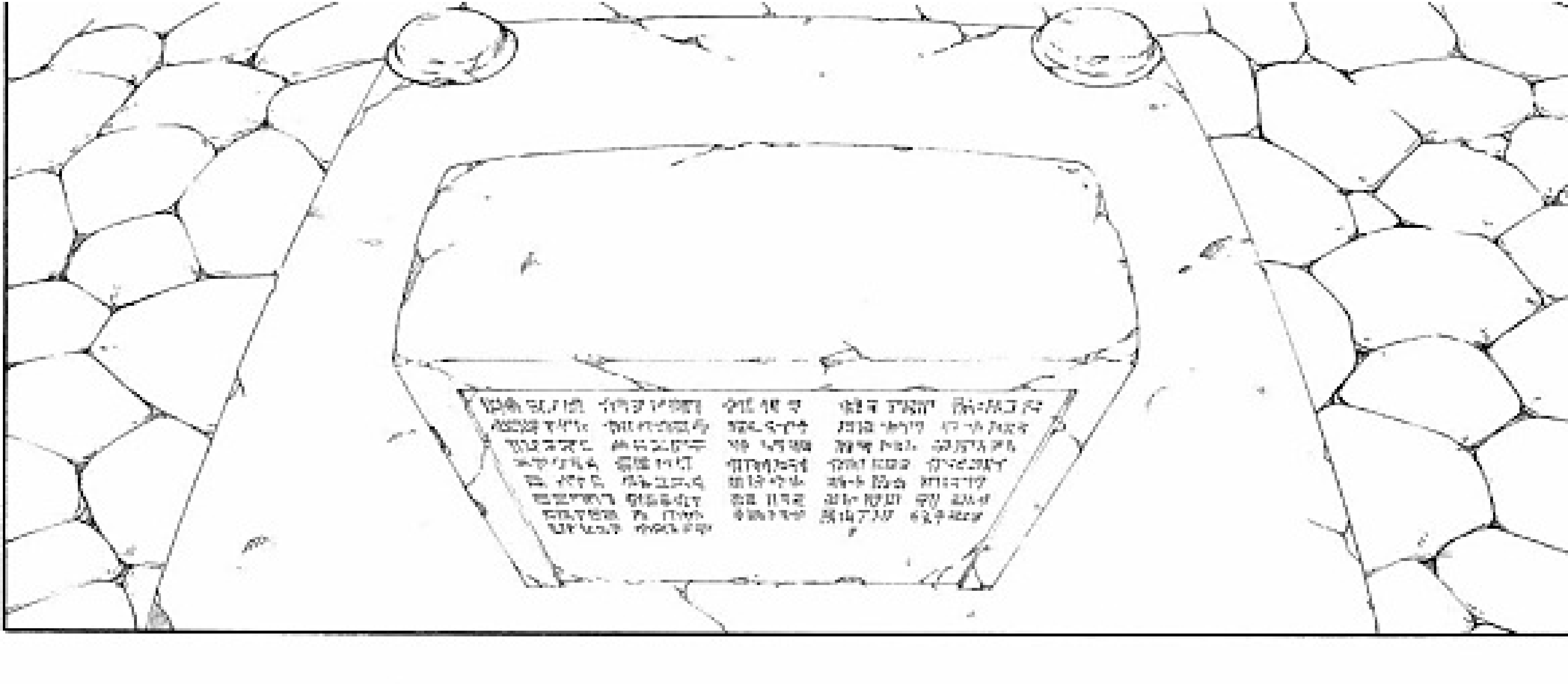
AS FOR MY WORK, I SPEND FOUR DAYS ALONE, CONJURING UP PLOTS (A PROCESS CALLED "NAME"). THIS PART IS DIFFERENT FROM THE DRAWING, IN THAT UNLESS I COME UP WITH AN IDEA, I CAN'T MOVE FORWARD. ONCE I DO FIND SOMETHING, I THEN SPEND THREE DAYS DRAWING IT. THING IS, SOMETIMES IT TAKES SIX DAYS TO SORT OUT A PLOT. WHEN THAT HAPPENS, I'VE GOT ONLY A DAY LEFT TO DRAW, SO I HAVE TO LEAN HEAVILY ON MY ASSISTANTS TO MAKE THE DEADLINE.

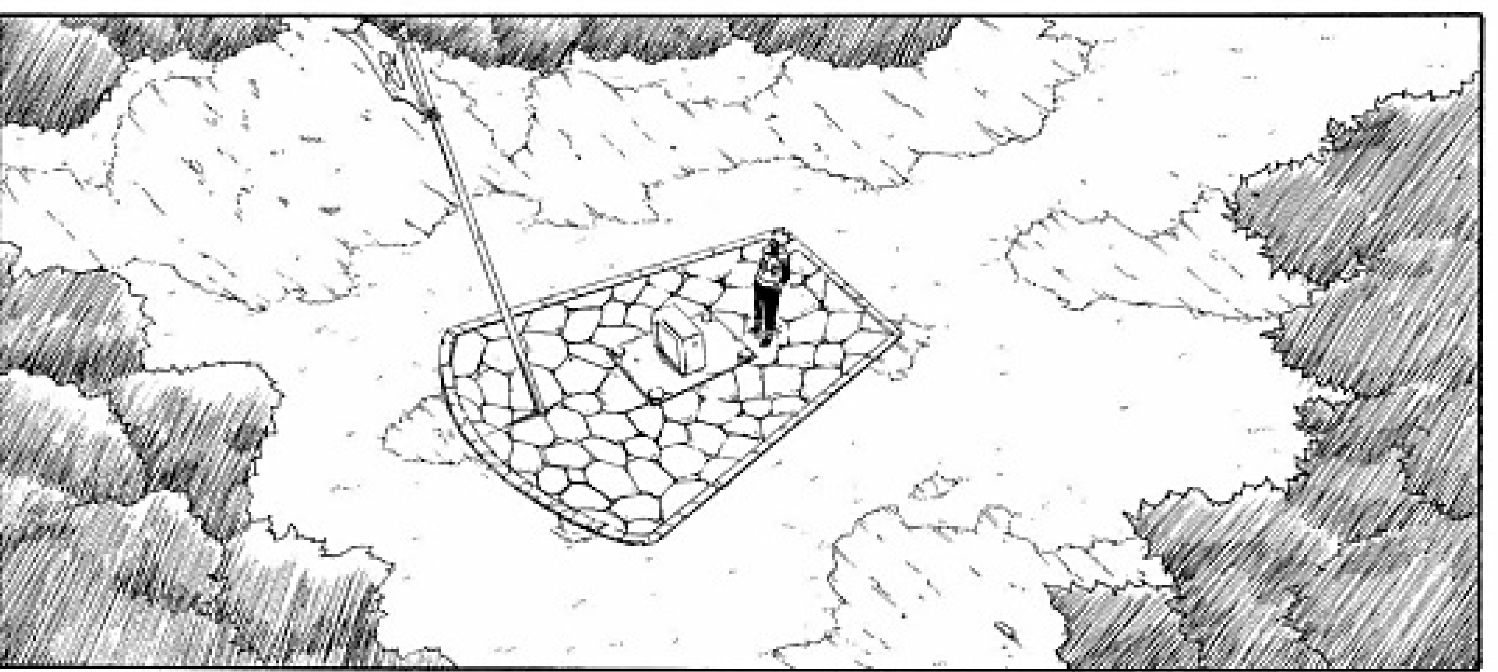
EVEN THEN I STILL HAVE TO GENERATE A WHOLE ROUGH DRAFT MYSELF, WHICH DOESN'T HELP MUCH. THE KEY TO SPEEDING THINGS ALONG IS IN FINALIZING THE DRAFT WITH PEN. THE SIMPLER CHARACTERS THAT USE FEWER LINES MY ASSISTANTS CAN CLEAN UP FOR ME. THAT SAID, I HAVEONLY ONE ASSISTANT WHO CAN IMITATE MY STYLE OF DRAWING, SO THE TWO OF US HAVE TO HANDLE MOST OF THE "BIG" WORK.

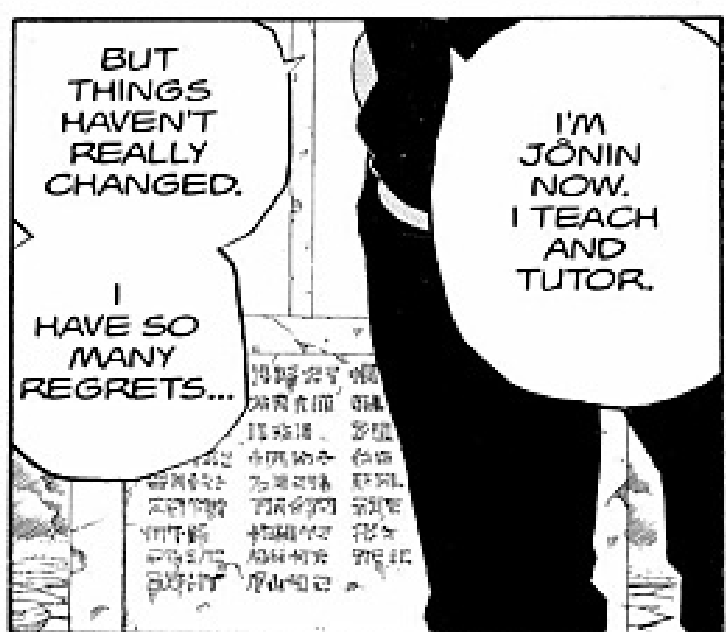
WHERE WE REALLY RUN INTO TROUBLE, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE'RE BEHIND SCHEDULE, IS WHEN NARUTO CONJURES UP A MASS OF SHADOW DOPPELGANGERS. FOR INSTANCE, TAKE A PEEK AT VOL. 23, PAGES 64-65. NARUTO IS PLASTERED EVERYWHERE, ALL OVER A TWO-PAGE SPREAD. THE TWO OF US DIVIDED THE WORK AND DREW LIKE MADMEN. WE WERE CUTTING SO CLOSE TO THE DEADLINE, WE HAD TO PULL ALL-NIGHTERS. THE MOMENT WE FINISHED THESE TWO PAGES, MY ASSISTANT COLLAPSED AND FELL ASLEEP. THE THING IS, THOUGH, WE STILL HAD OTHER PAGES TO COMPLETE, SO HE COULD ONLY TAKE A QUICK NAP! AT TIMES LIKE THIS, I MENTALLY APOLOGIZE FOR HIS SUFFERING, AND HOPING TO SOFTEN THE TENSION, I SEARCH FOR SOMETHING TO LIVEN THE WORKPLACE... FOR INSTANCE, SHOCK THERAPY. SO THAT DAY, WHILE HE WAS NAPPING, I PHOTOCOPIED THE TWO-PAGE SPREAD AND SPLATTERED INK ALL OVER IT, AS IF BY ACCIDENT...

-- TO BE CONTINUED --


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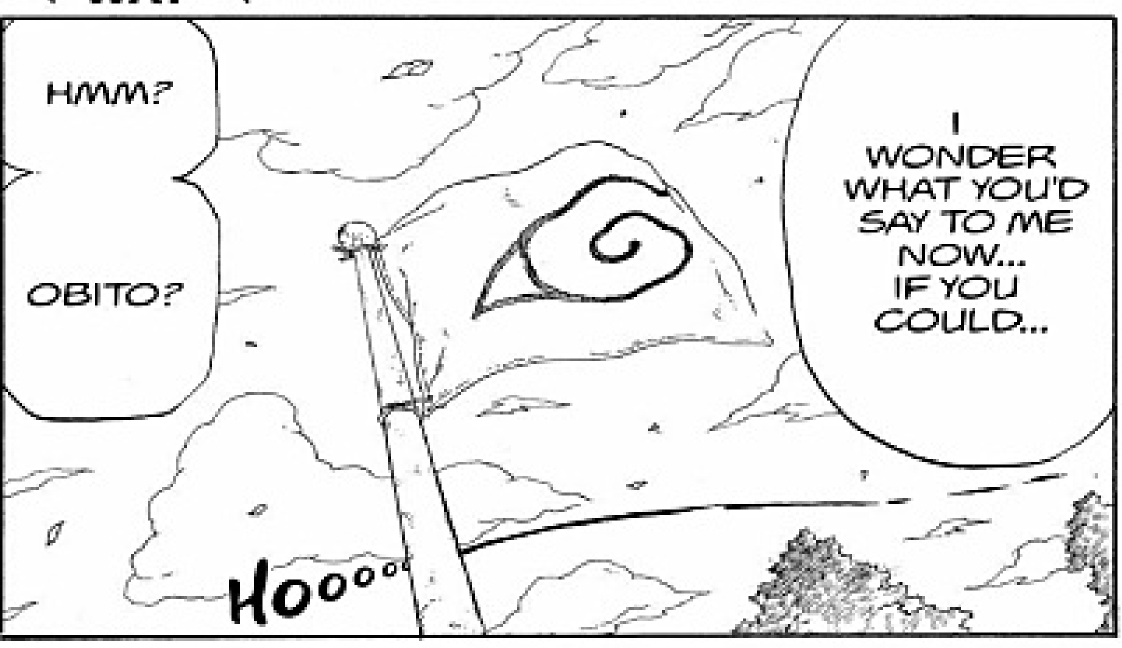



I'M JŌNIN NOW. I TEACH AND TUTOR.
BUT THINGS HAVEN'T REALLY CHANGED.
I HAVE SO MANY REGRETS...

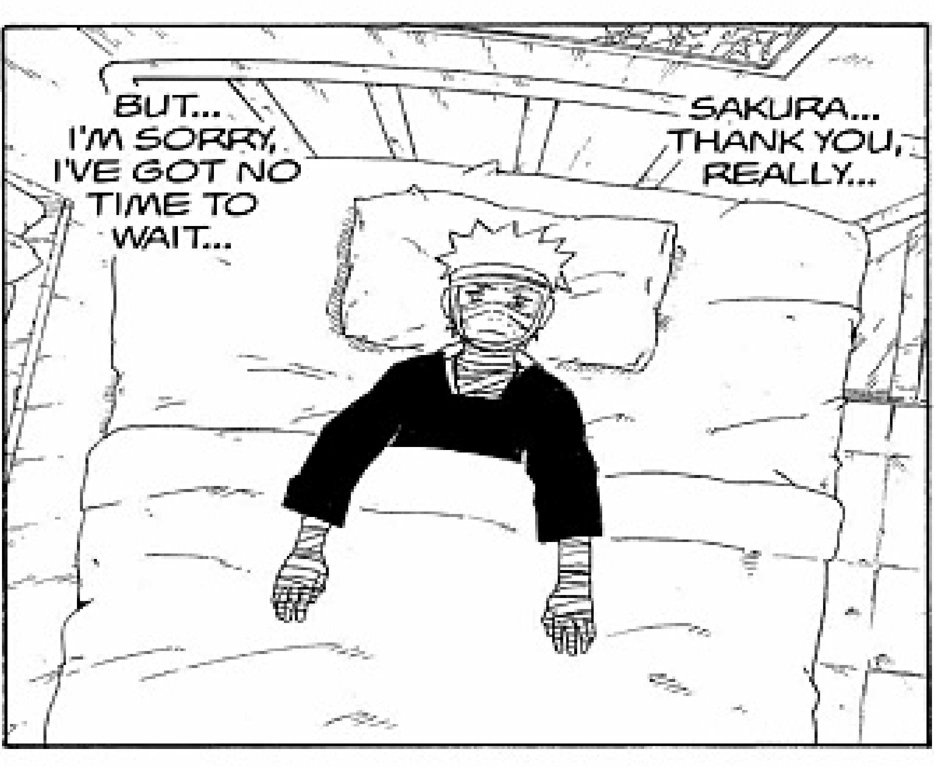

EVEN WITH THIS EYE...
I STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS.


READ THIS WAY


...


I WONDER WHAT YOU'D SAY TO ME NOW... IF YOU COULD...
HMM?
OBITO?
HOOOO


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SAKURA... THANK YOU, REALLY...
BUT... I'M SORRY, I'VE GOT NO TIME TO WAIT...

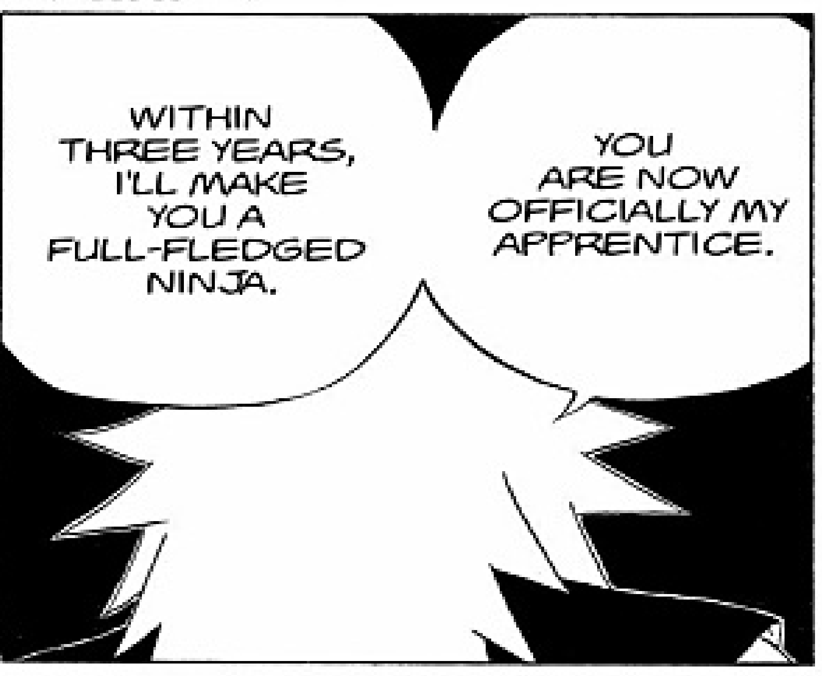

WHUMPP
?!!


WHA...?!
WHUP
FLUP
SHFF SHFF

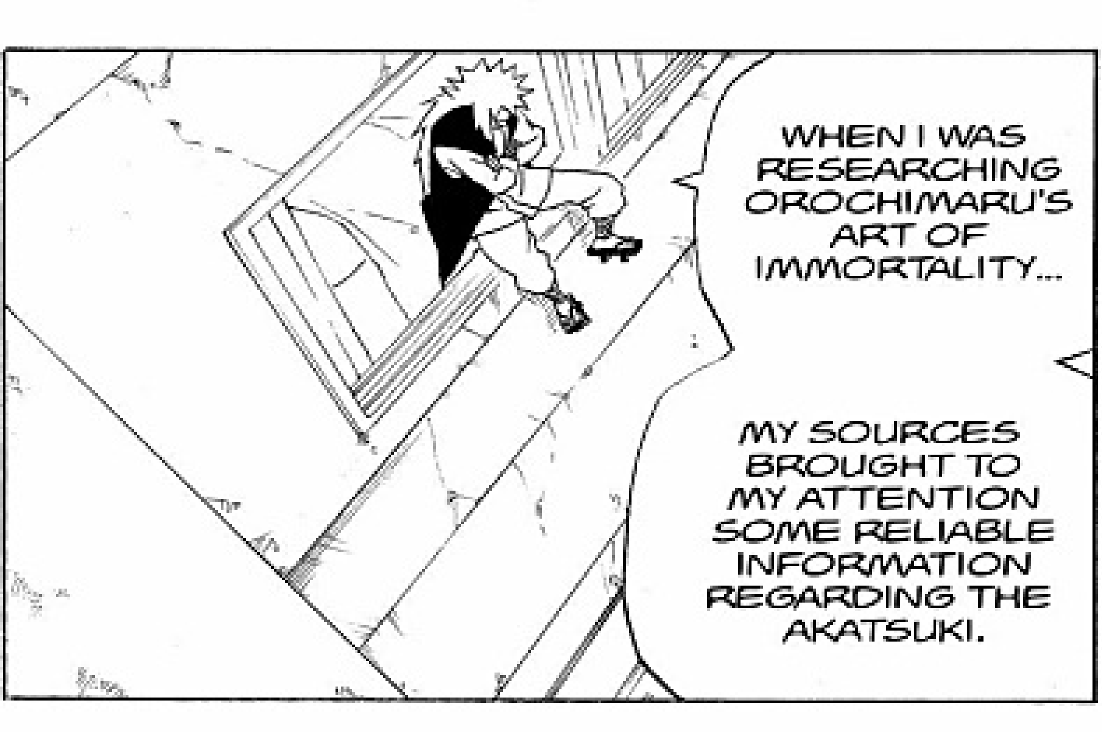

KAWHUMM...PP
!!
HELLO!
PER... PERVY SAGE?!

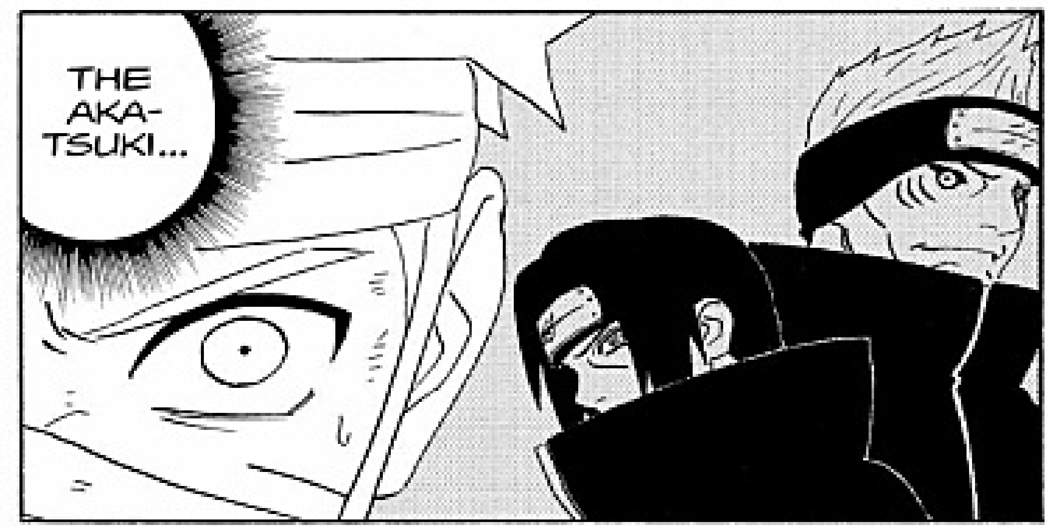

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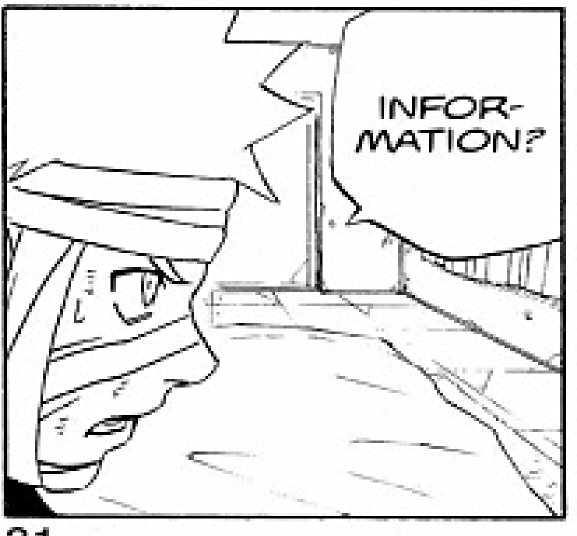

I'VE COME HERE TO MAKE A FORMAL ANNOUNCE-MENT.


YOU ARE NOW OFFICIALLY MY APPRENTICE.
WITHIN THREE YEARS, I'LL MAKE YOU A FULL-FLEDGED NINJA.


?

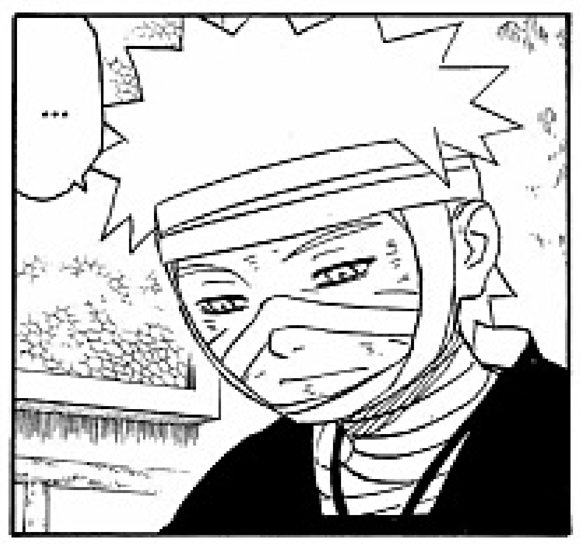

WHEN I WAS RESEARCHING OROCHIMARU'S ART OF IMMORTALITY...
MY SOURCES BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION SOME RELIABLE INFORMATION REGARDING THE AKATSUKI.

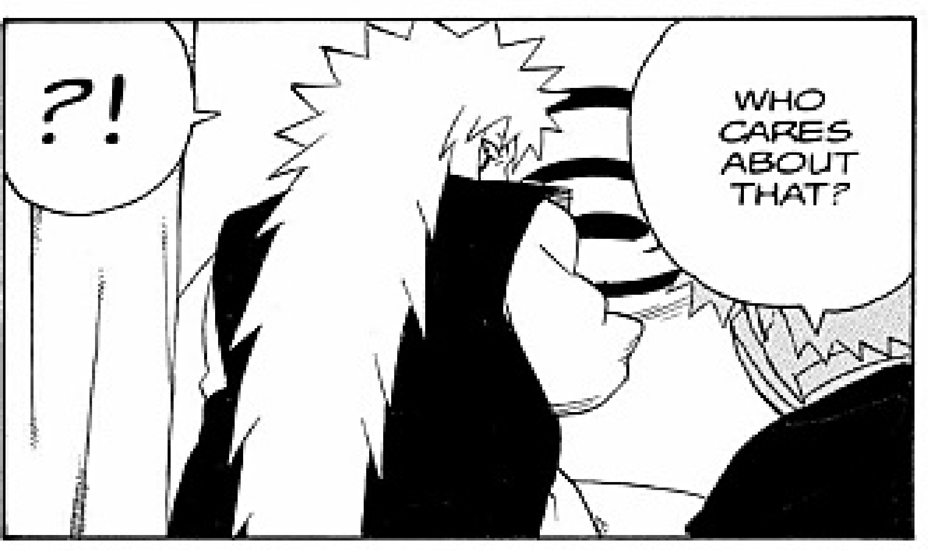

THE AKA-TSUKI...

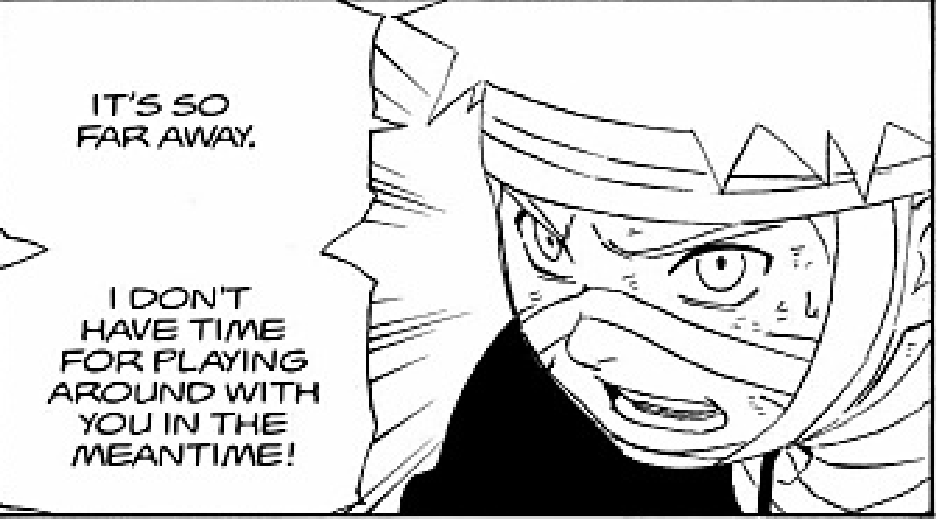

INFOR-MATION?

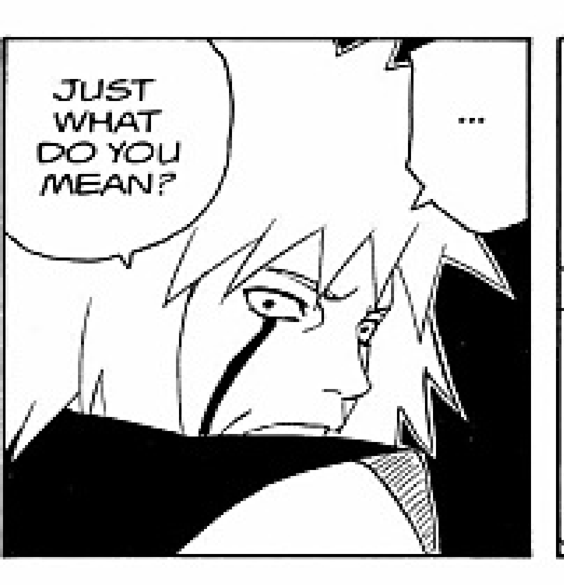
THEY WON'T BE BACK FOR YOU...

...FOR THREE OR FOUR MORE YEARS.










READ THIS WAY


I GOTTA GO AFTER SASUKE!
OROCHIMARU COULD KILL HIM!!


JUST BECAUSE IT'S *IMMORTALITY* DOESN'T MEAN YOUR FLESH LIVES ON AS IS...
BEFORE THE BODY DECAYS, ANOTHER STRONG BODY MUST BE OBTAINED AS A VESSEL FOR THE SOUL.

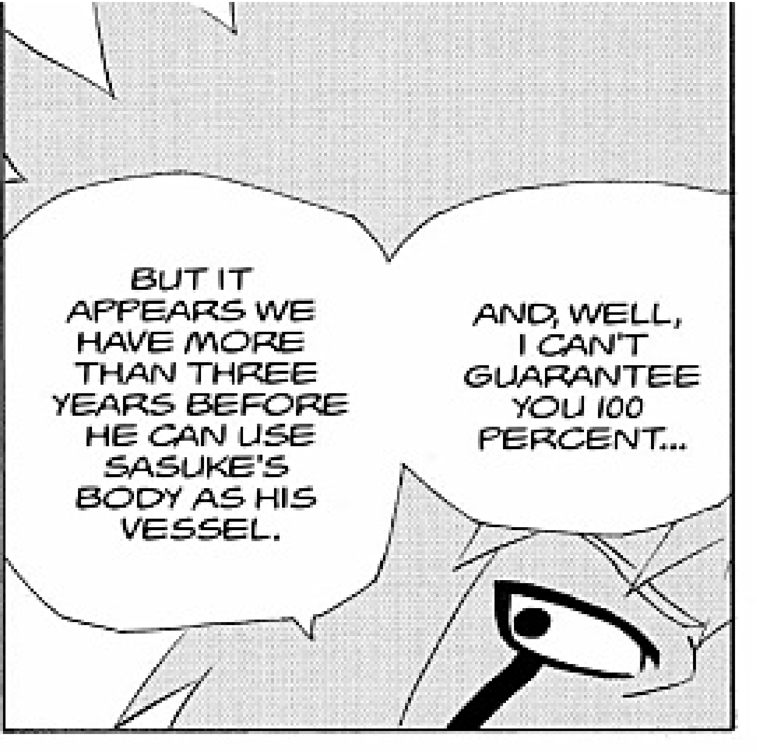

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HMPH...


IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU KNOW THE REAL REASON OROCHIMARU WANTS SASUKE.

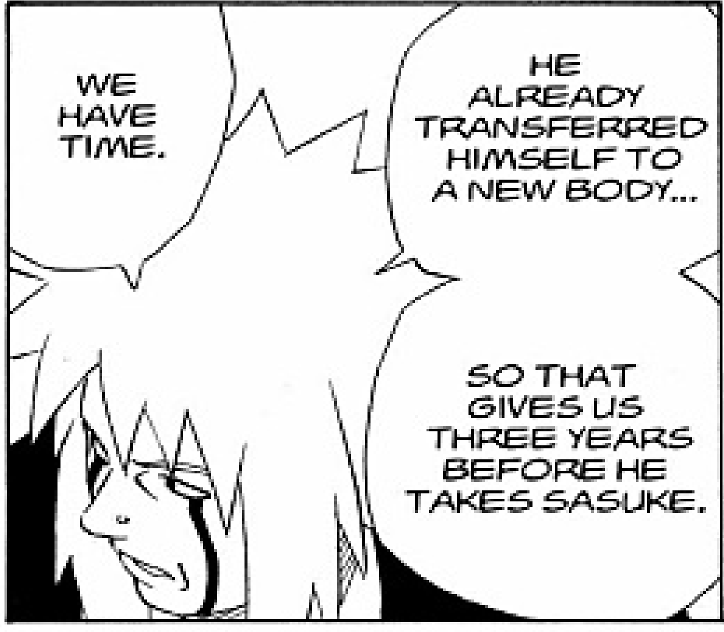

WHAT?!
PERVY SAGE, YOU MEAN... YOU DO TOO?


DIDN'T I JUST TELL YOU?
I'VE BEEN RESEARCHING OROCHIMARU'S ART OF IMMORTALITY...


AND, WELL, I CAN'T GUARANTEE YOU 100 PERCENT...
BUT IT APPEARS WE HAVE MORE THAN THREE YEARS BEFORE HE CAN USE SASUKE'S BODY AS HIS VESSEL.


HOW CAN YOU KNOW THAT...?


DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE MY CONNEC-TIONS!
THE DEAL IS, THE ART OF IMMORTALITY DEMANDS A BUFFER OF AT LEAST THREE YEARS...
...BEFORE HE CAN RE-TRANSFER HIS SOUL.


HE ALREADY TRANSFERRED HIMSELF TO A NEW BODY...
SO THAT GIVES US THREE YEARS BEFORE HE TAKES SASUKE.
WE HAVE TIME.


FOR...
...REAL?!


...
THREE YEARS, AT LEAST?!











FORGET ABOUT SASUKE.



SASUKE WENT TO OROCHIMARU WILLINGLY...

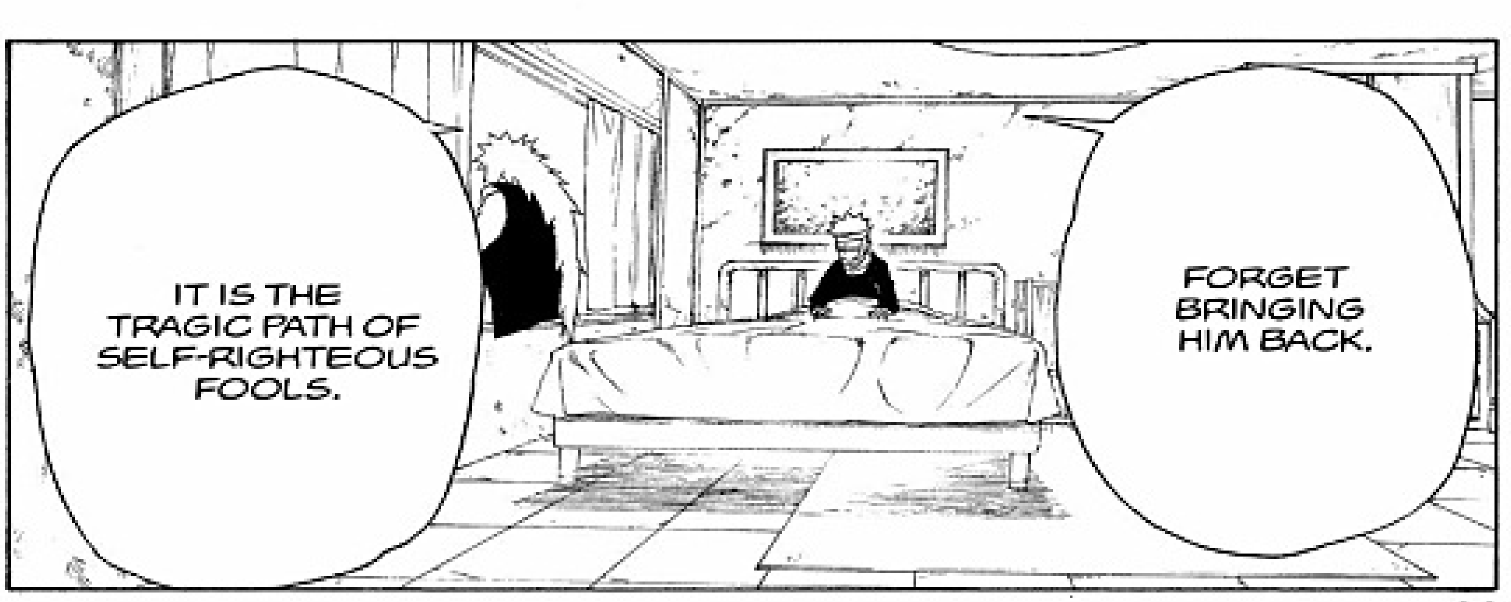
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT YOU DO FOR HIM...

HE WILL NOT CHANGE.











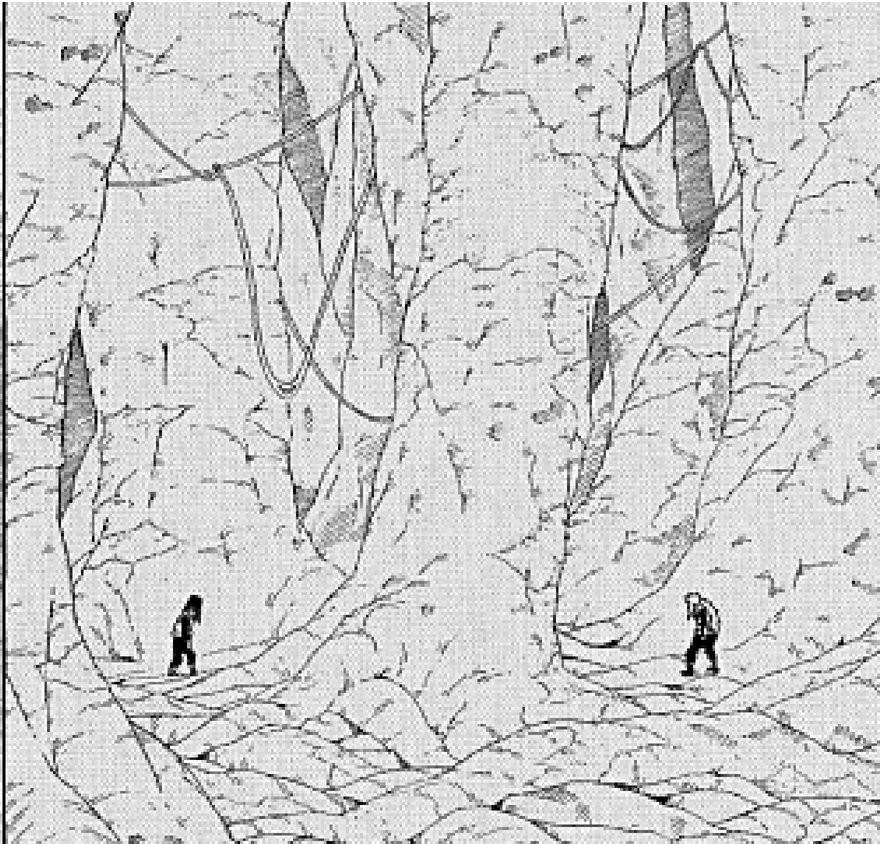
HE MAY BE NOTHING TO YOU, PERVY SAGE...

BUT SASUKE IS MY FRIEND!!

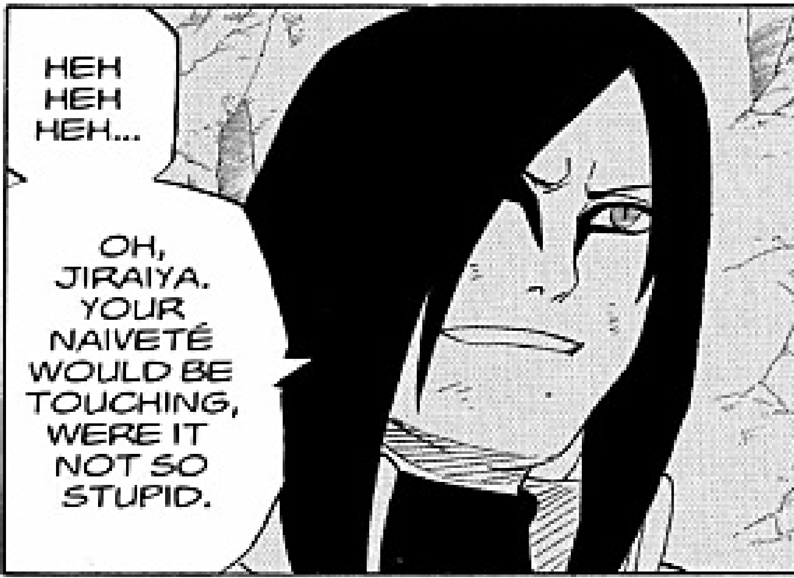


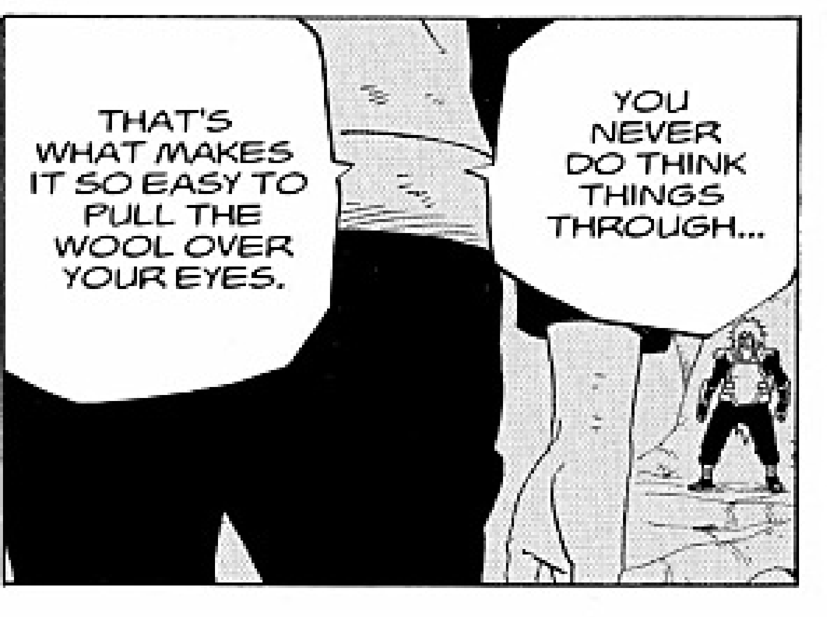


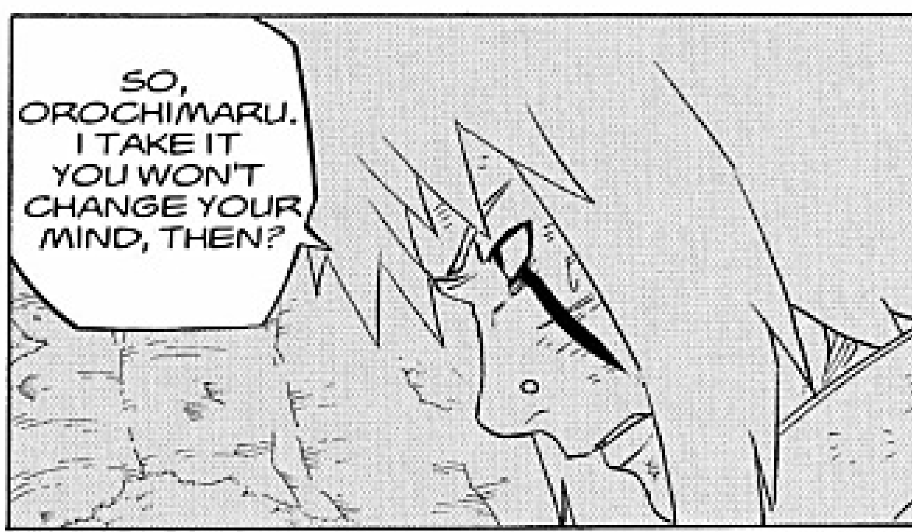





WHY...
WHY YOU?
WE'RE THE THREE GREAT SHINOBI... WE'VE BEEN FRIENDS SINCE WE WERE KIDS!
HUF
HUF
HUF


HEH HEH HEH...
OH, JIRAIYA. YOUR NAIVETÉ WOULD BE TOUCHING, WERE IT NOT SO STUPID.

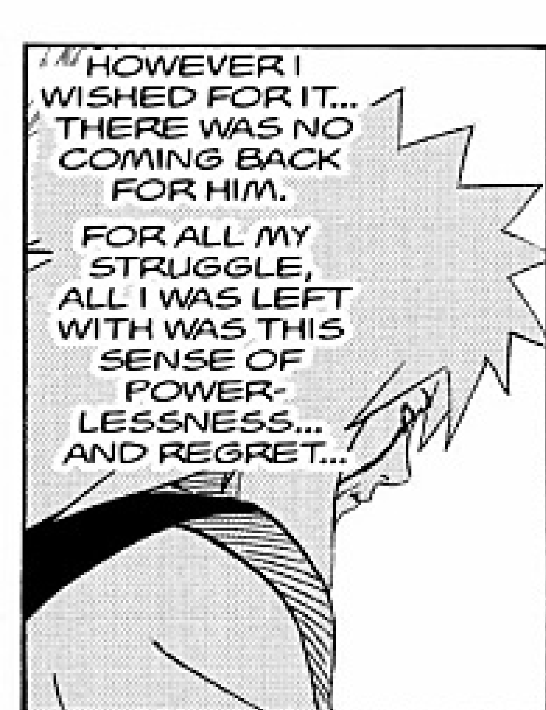

YOU NEVER DO THINK THINGS THROUGH...
THAT'S WHAT MAKES IT SO EASY TO PULL THE WOOL OVER YOUR EYES.


SO, OROCHIMARU. I TAKE IT YOU WON'T CHANGE YOUR MIND, THEN?

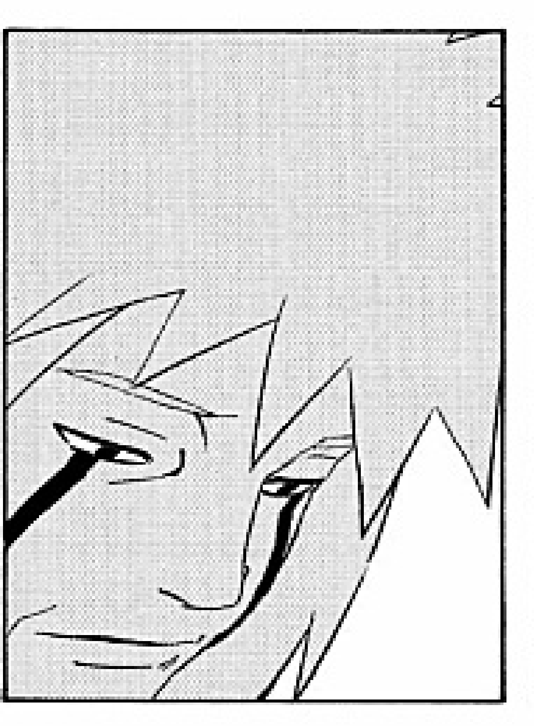

YOU'RE A JOKE...

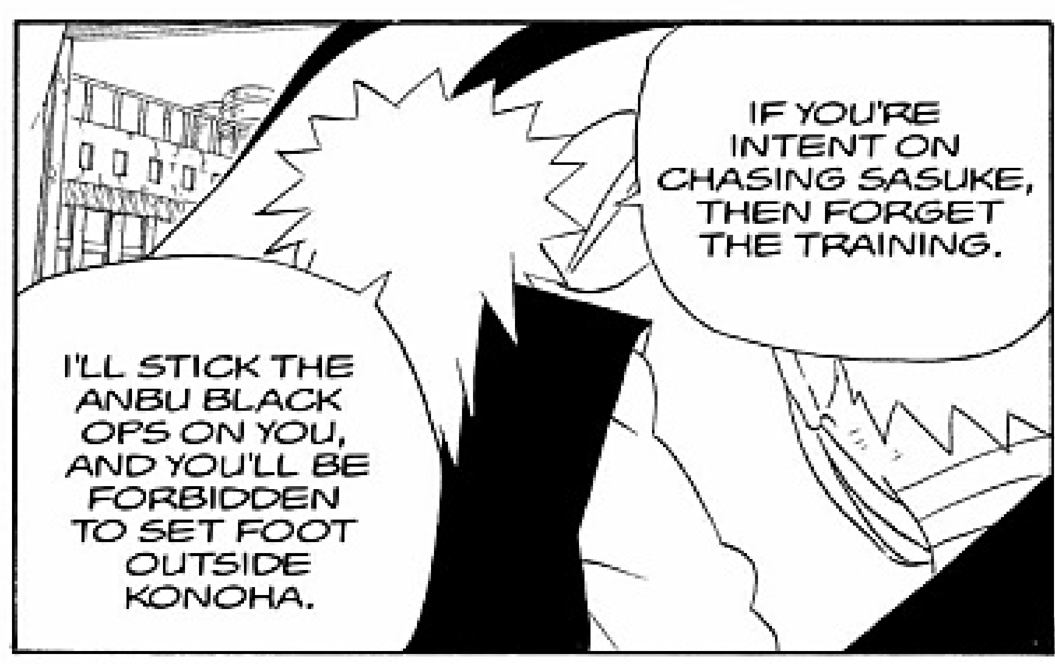

READ
THIS
WAY


BUT ENOUGH OF YOUR STUPIDITY.


HOWEVER I WISHED FOR IT... THERE WAS NO COMING BACK FOR HIM.
FOR ALL MY STRUGGLE, ALL I WAS LEFT WITH WAS THIS SENSE OF POWER-LESSNESS... AND REGRET...


I DON'T WANT YOU... TO TREAD THE SAME PATH.




IF YOU'RE INTENT ON CHASING SASUKE, THEN FORGET THE TRAINING.
I'LL STICK THE ANBU BLACK OPS ON YOU, AND YOU'LL BE FORBIDDEN TO SET FOOT OUTSIDE KONOHA.


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YOU'RE NO ORDINARY KID, NARUTO...
YOU HAVE THE NINE-TAILED FOX SPIRIT.

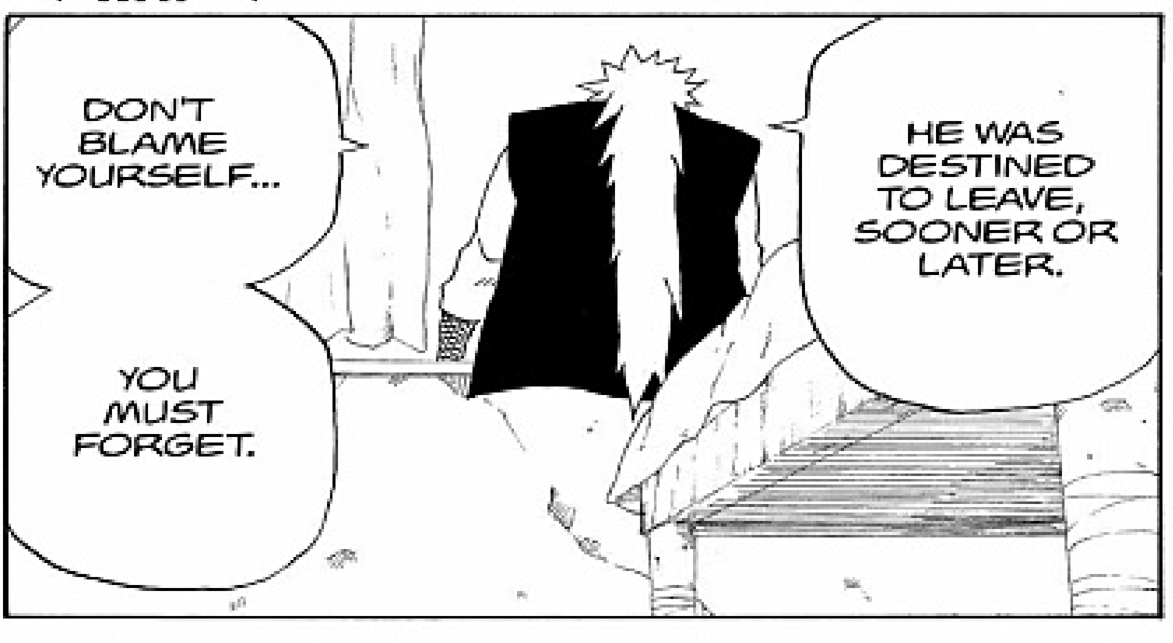

AND THIS IS SERIOUS BUSINESS.
IF YOU DISREGARD MY WORDS...
IF YOU'RE DETERMINED TO DO WHAT YOU PLEASE, I HAVE NO CHOICE.

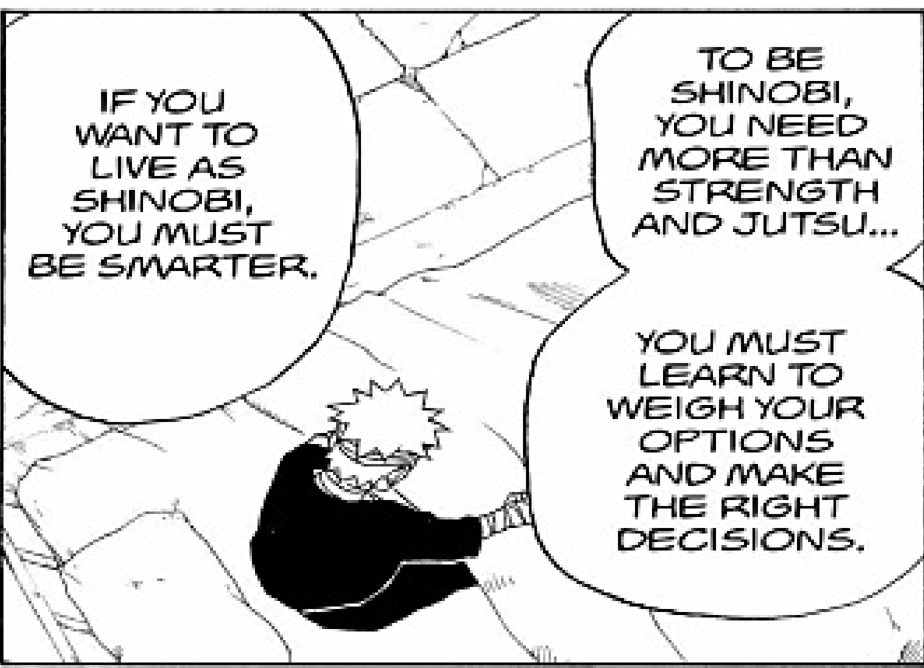

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SOMEDAY YOU WILL FACE AN ENEMY EVEN GREATER THAN OROCHIMARU.
YOU MUST FORGET SASUKE. UNDERSTAND?


READ THIS WAY


...


HE WAS DESTINED TO LEAVE, SOONER OR LATER.
DON'T BLAME YOURSELF...
YOU MUST FORGET.


TO BE SHINOBI, YOU NEED MORE THAN STRENGTH AND JUTSU...
YOU MUST LEARN TO WEIGH YOUR OPTIONS AND MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS.
IF YOU WANT TO LIVE AS SHINOBI, YOU MUST BE SMARTER.


THIS WORLD...
IT'S NO PLACE FOR A FOOL. THAT'S THE REALITY.


...


I UNDER-STAND.


...

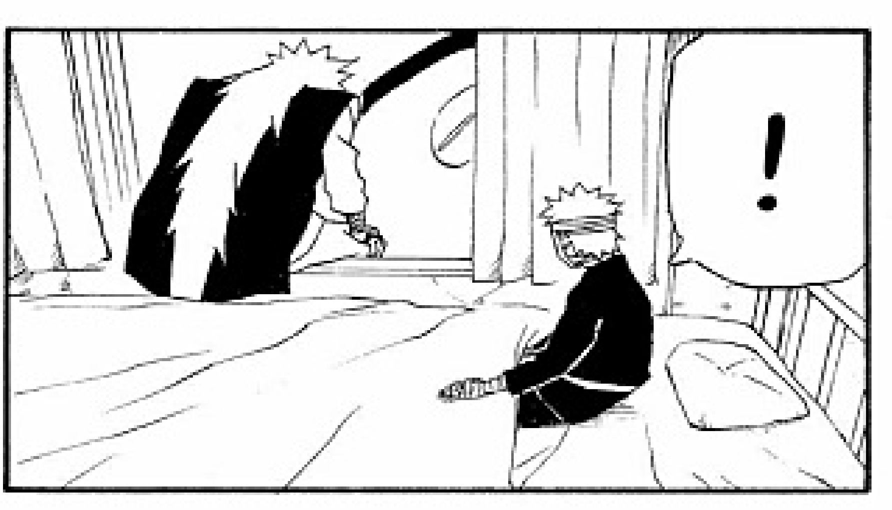

IF BEING SMART MEANS WHAT YOU SAY...
...I'LL REMAIN A FOOL MY ENTIRE LIFE.
!!


READ THIS WAY

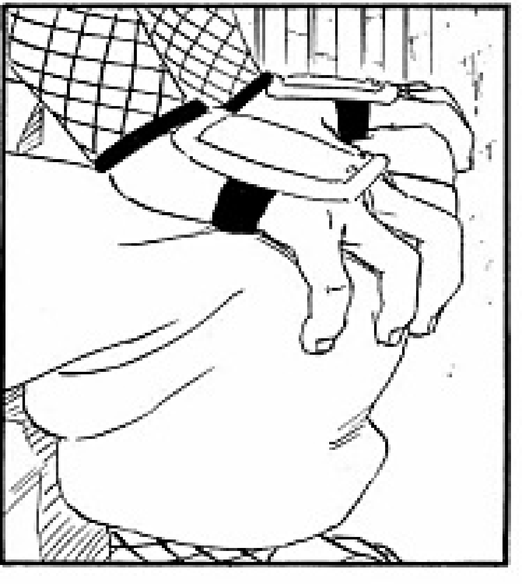

EVEN IF I'VE GOT TO DO IT ALONE...
I'M GONNA SPIN SOME INCREDIBLE JUTSU...
AND I'M GONNA RESCUE SASUKE, NO MATTER WHAT!


AND, AND...
I'M GONNA SMACK DOWN THE AKATSUKI!!


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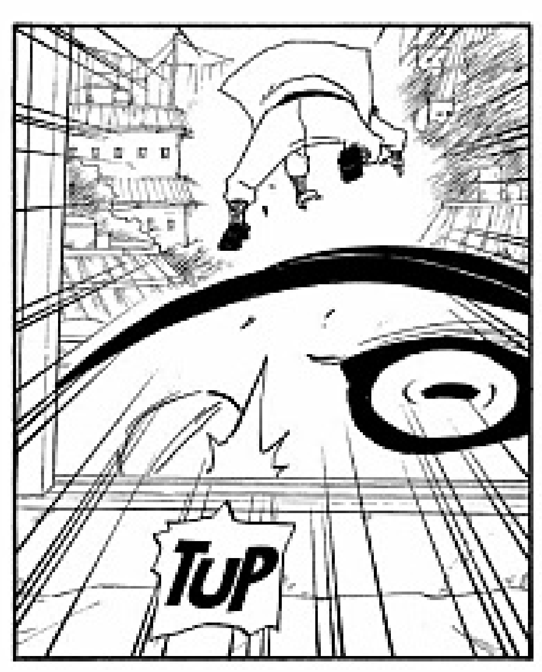



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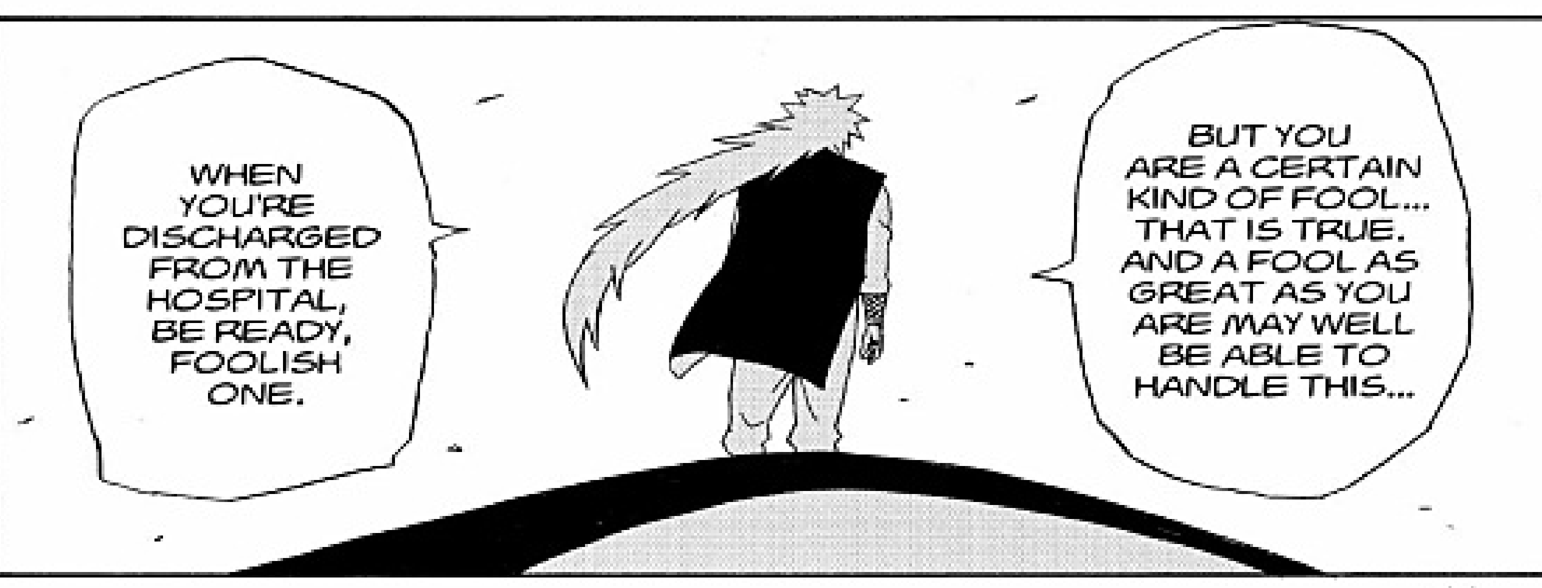
IF YOU TRY THIS ON YOUR OWN...

...YOU WILL RETURN WITH NOTHING, IF YOU RETURN AT ALL.









ALL RIGHT THEN...
OKAY!!

THE WORLD OF MASASHI KISHIMOTO
PERSONAL HISTORY: SPECIAL FRIENDS, PART 2

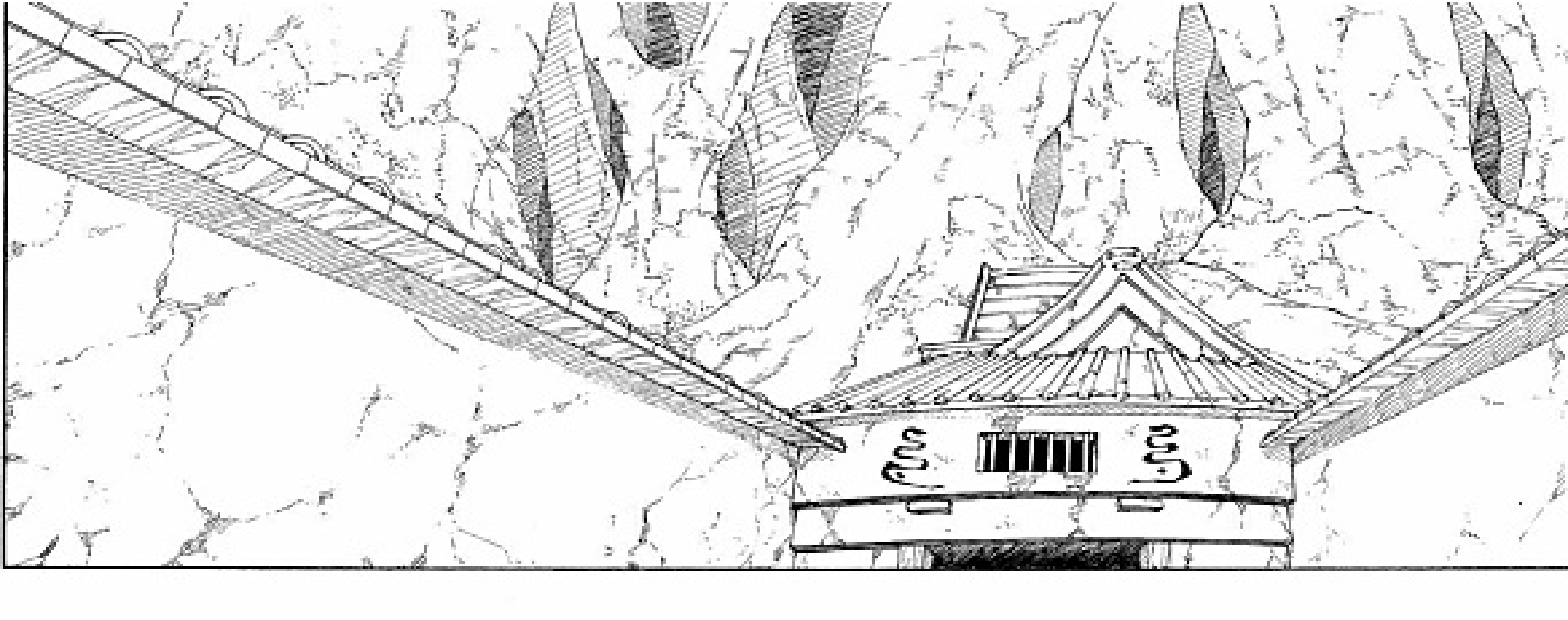
I ALSO TOOK CARE TO PERFECT THE PRESENTATION BY MAKING SURETHAT MOST ALL THE SHADOW DOPPELGANGERS WE DREW WERE RUINED BY THE JET-BLACK INK. WHEN MY ASSISTANT WOKE FROM HIS NAP, THE FIRST WORDS OUT OF HIS MOUTH WERE "**WHAT THE...?!**"

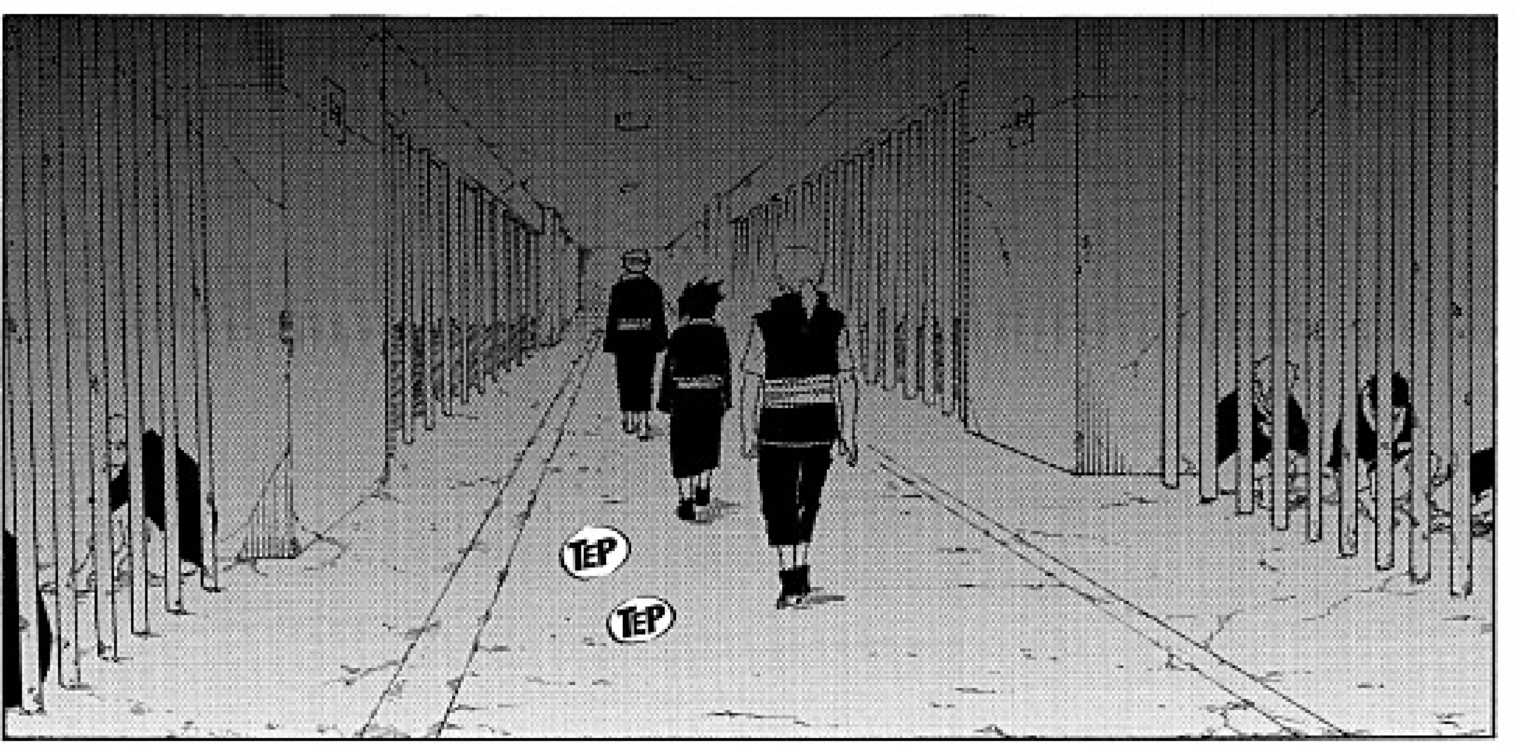
AND ME? I GUFFAWED. "AH HA HA! STUNNED, ARE YOU?! IT'S WHAT YOU CALL SHOCK THERAPY!" I ALWAYS TELL HIM THE TRUTH RIGHT OFF LIKE THAT. IT'S ALL INTENDED TO SOFTEN THE TENSION, THOUGH AT TIMES IT DOES BACKFIRE...

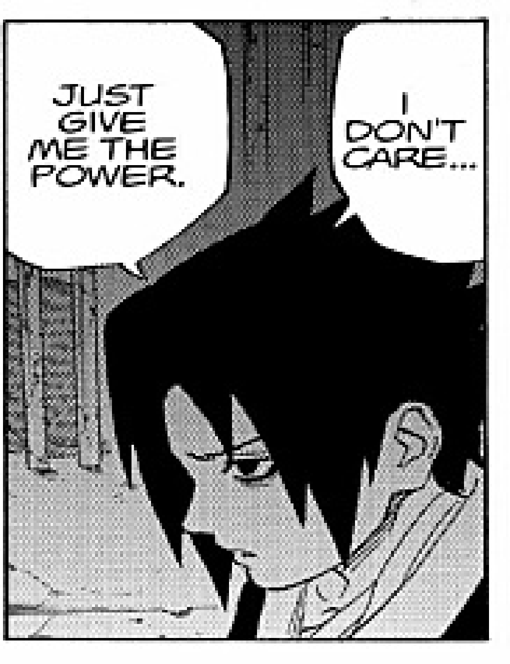
FOR ME, MY ASSISTANTS ARE WHAT FEW FRIENDS I HAVE LEFT.

YOU TOO SHOULD TREASURE YOUR FRIENDS.


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TEP
TEP


I DON'T CARE...
JUST GIVE ME THE POWER.


HEH HEH... SASUKE.
YOU ARE THE CHOSEN ONE.




GRRR


SHIVER


HE MAY NOT LOOK IT...
BUT THE MAN BEFORE YOU IS LORD OROCHIMARU.
SST
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE, YOU'D BEST WATCH YOUR MOUTH.


KRAAA
KRAK


!!
WHA... WHAT?
WHAT IS THIS CHAKRA I FEEL?

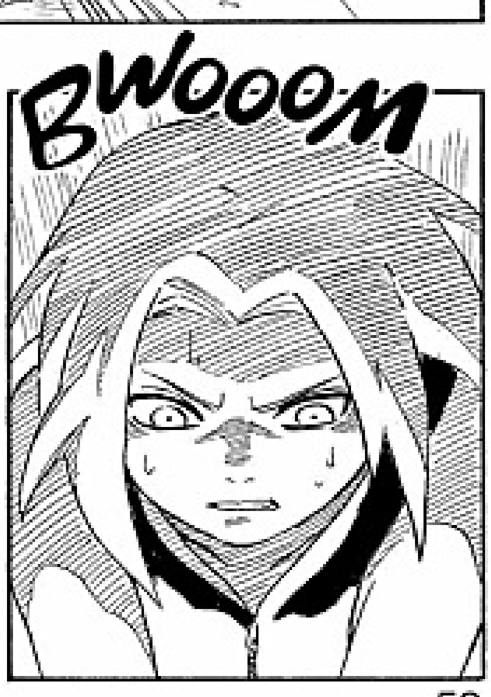

AHH...
HEE HEE HEE
MY FUTURE LIES WITH THIS BOY...

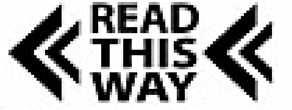

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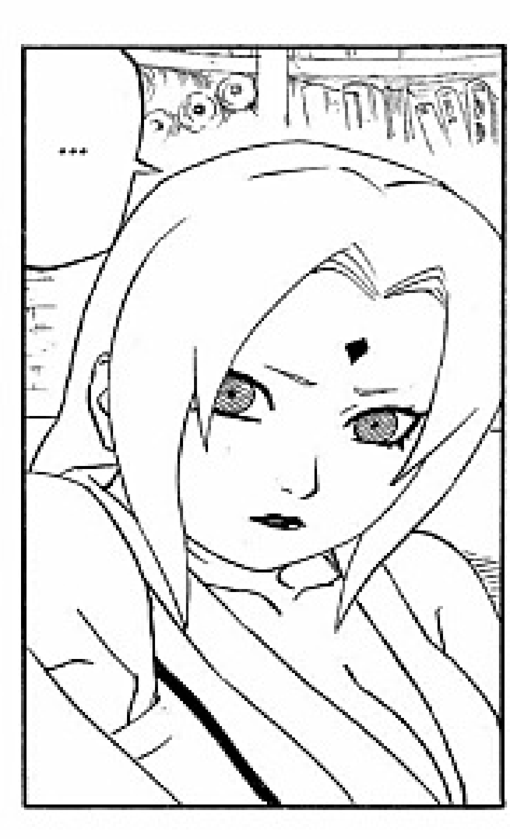

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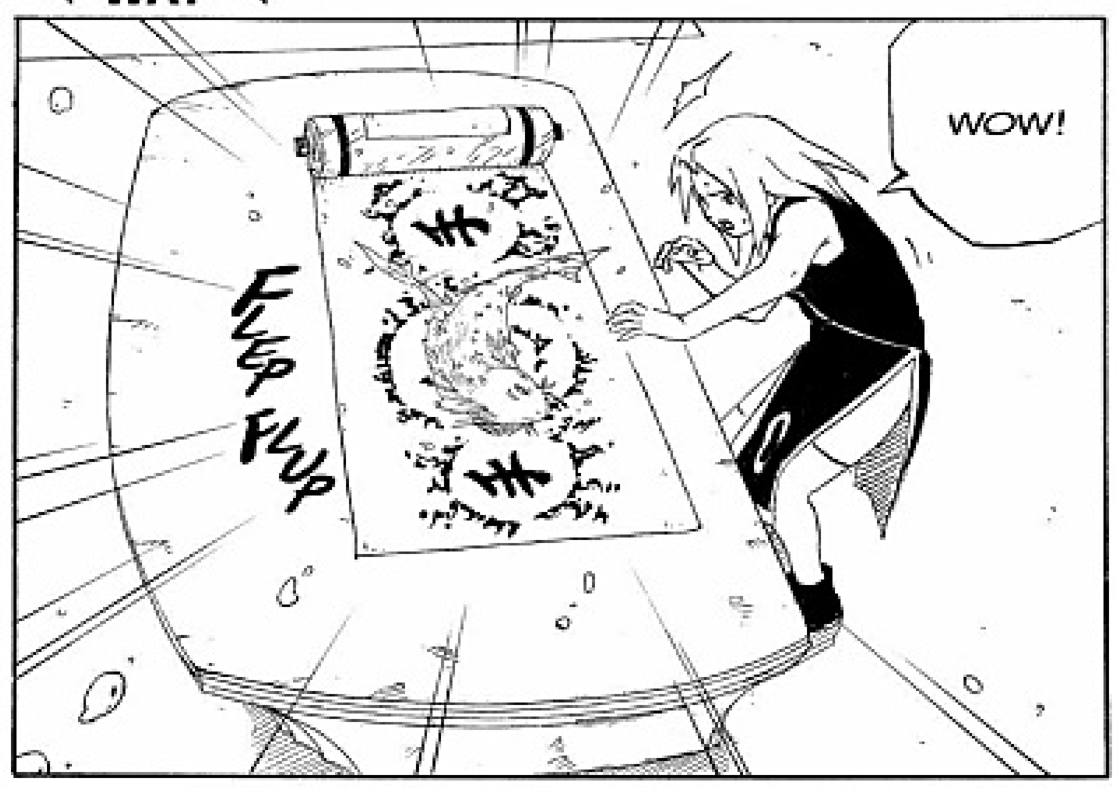


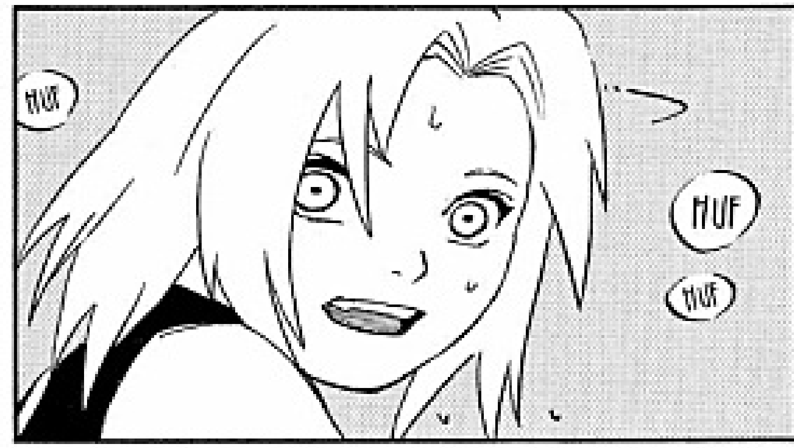


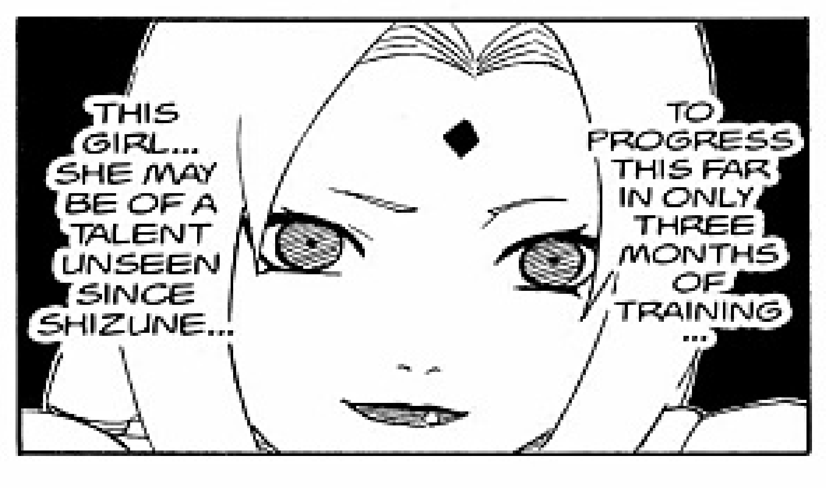

BWOOOM


READ
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WAY


...


WOW!
FLIP FLIP


HUF
HUF
HUF

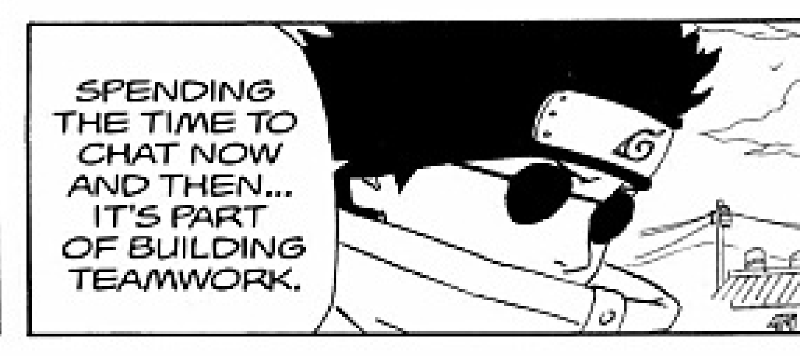

TO PROGRESS THIS FAR IN ONLY THREE MONTHS OF TRAINING ...
THIS GIRL... SHE MAY BE OF A TALENT UNSEEN SINCE SHIZUNE...


I THINK WE'RE DONE FOR THE MORNING.
ER...
YES, MA'AM!

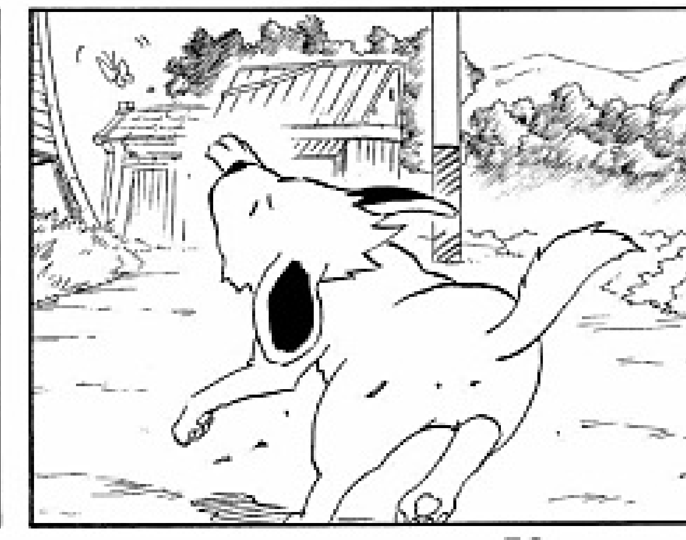


IT'S UNUSUAL FOR YOU TO JOIN ME ON A STROLL...
TEP TEP
WARF
WUFF

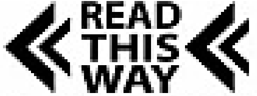






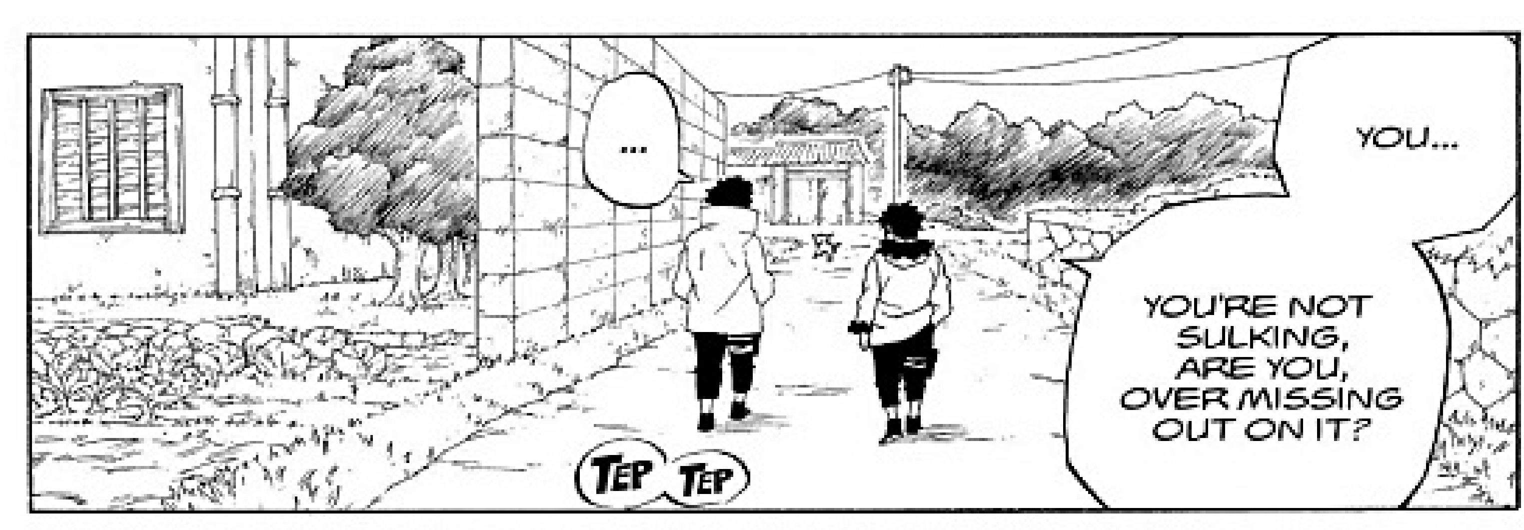





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WAY


YES, WELL... TELL ME ANYWAY.
GRRRR
AGAIN, THAT'S WHAT TEAMWORK IS ALL ABOUT.
!


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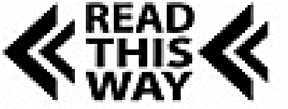

YOU...
YOU'RE NOT SULKING, ARE YOU, OVER MISSING OUT ON IT?
...
TEP TEP


YAH!
YAH!
HYAH!

(SIGN: HYUGA)


HUF
THERE HAS TO BE MORE, FARTHER UP...
HUF
UNTIL I CAN SEE ALL THE WAY...


YES. NEJI... LET'S TAKE A BREAK.
TONK
LADY HINATA.
!
UR... URM...
SOME TEA?

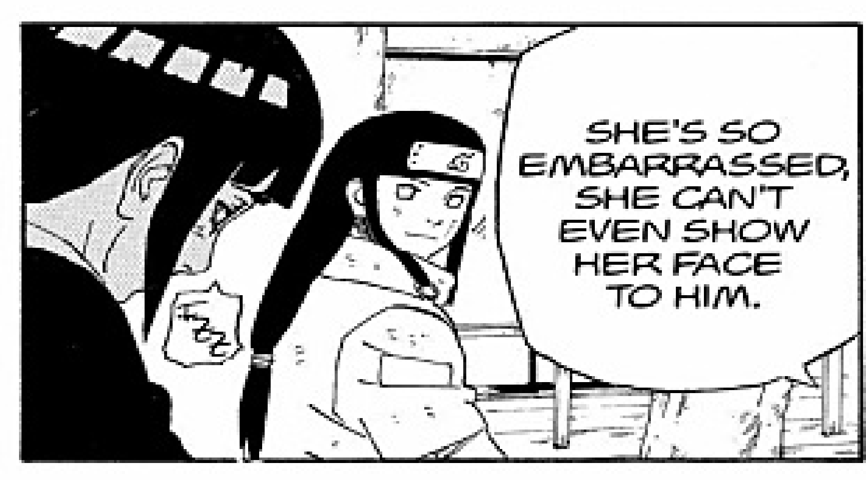

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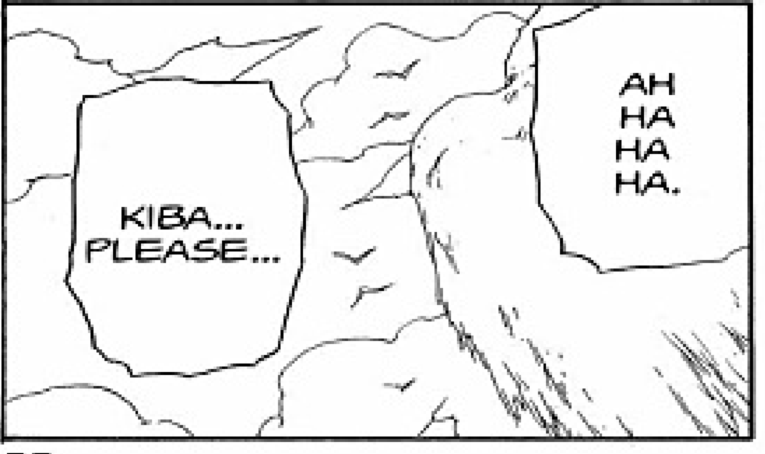

NARUTO IS LEAVING THE VILLAGE TODAY FOR TRAINING.
ARE YOU GOING TO SEE HIM OFF?


...
URM... WELL...


DIDN'T YOU HEAR?!


HINATA VISITED NARUTO AT THE HOSPITAL.
...!
SHK
SHK
AND WHEN SHE SAW HIM BANDAGED ALL OVER...
...SHE FAINTED DEAD AWAY.


SHE'S SO EMBARRASSED, SHE CAN'T EVEN SHOW HER FACE TO HIM.


AH HA HA HA.
KIBA... PLEASE...


CHOFF
CHOFF


YOU KNOW, WHEN THEY LET YOU OUT OF THE HOSPITAL YOU LOOKED KINDA NICE AND THIN...
BUT YOU SURE BOUNCED BACK LIKE A CHAMP.

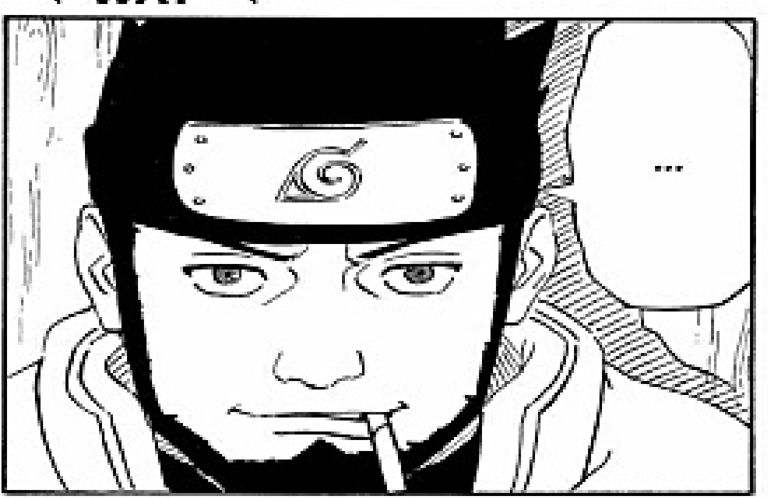

MUNCH
MUNCH
KSHHHH

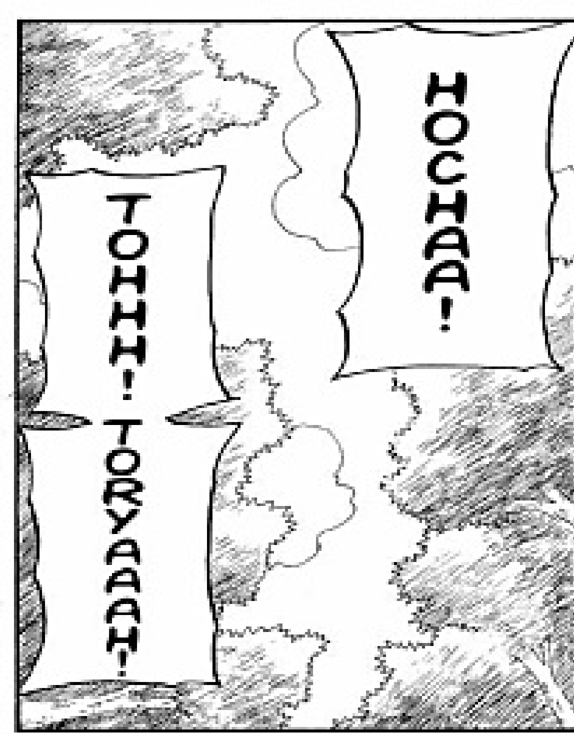

WITH THAT KIND OF APPETITE, I WOULDN'T WORRY ABOUT YOUR BODY ANYMORE.


WHEN WE'RE DONE WITH THIS, LET'S START RIGHT IN ON OUR TRAINING!
MASTER ASUMA!


READ THIS WAY


GET REAL!
ARE YOU... INSANE?!
YOU'RE STILL RECOVER-ING!!


...

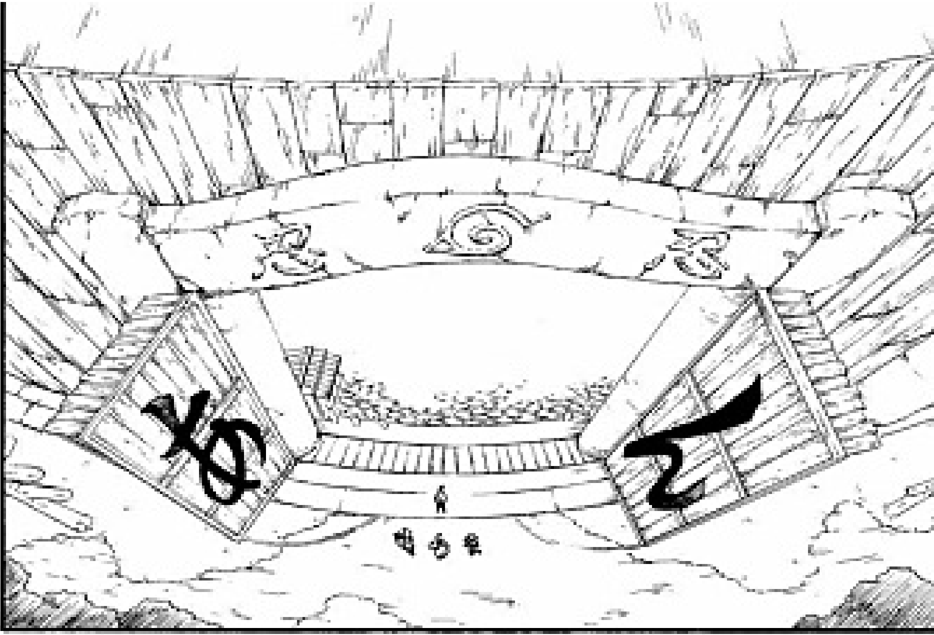

HOCHAA!
TOHHH! TORYAAAH!

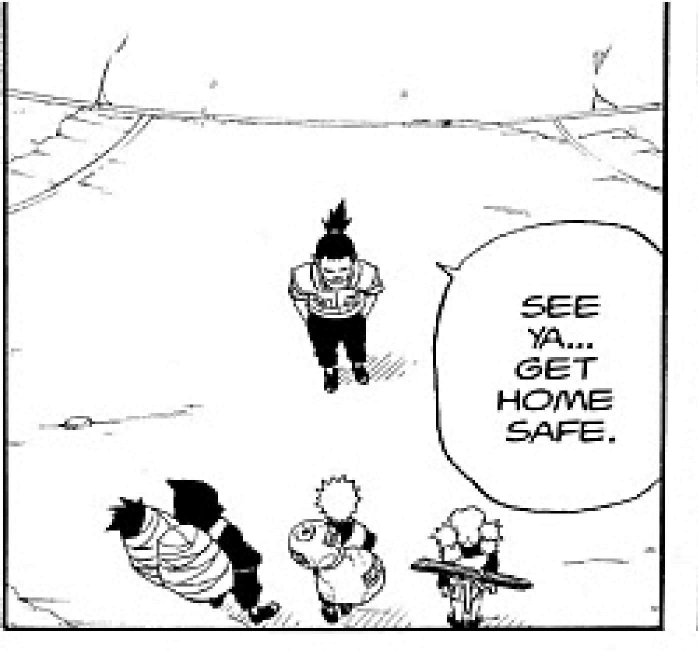

HEY, LEE... LET'S TAKE A BREAK...
FWSSH


C'MON, MASTER GUY!!
THE SPRINGTIME OF OUR YOUTH CAN'T LAST FOREVER!

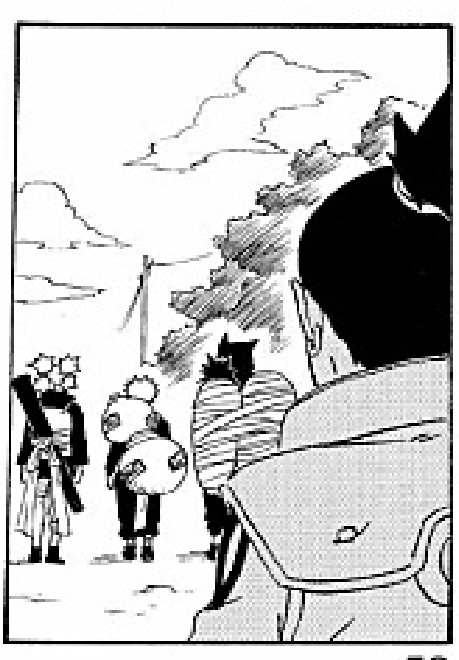

YAH! YAH!
HEE-YAH!!
AW AWCH...
I THINK MY SPRING-TIME IS ALREADY PAST...


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SEE YA... GET HOME SAFE.

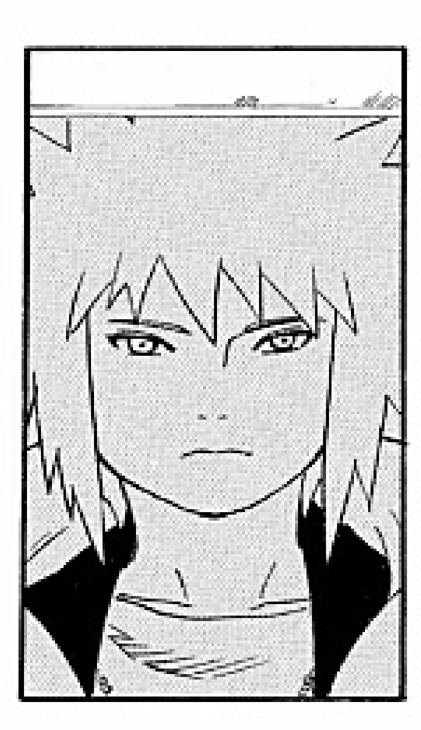
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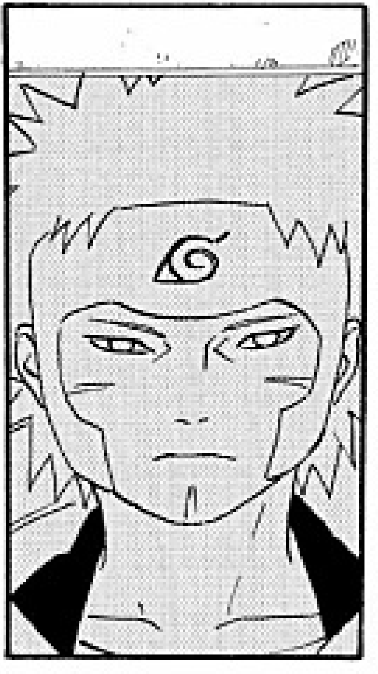

IF ANYTHING COMES UP, JUST DING US...
WE'LL HELP YOU OUT. GOT IT, CRYBABY?


JUST ONE WORD TOO FAR...
THAT'S WHAT MAKES GIRLS SO WEIRD...

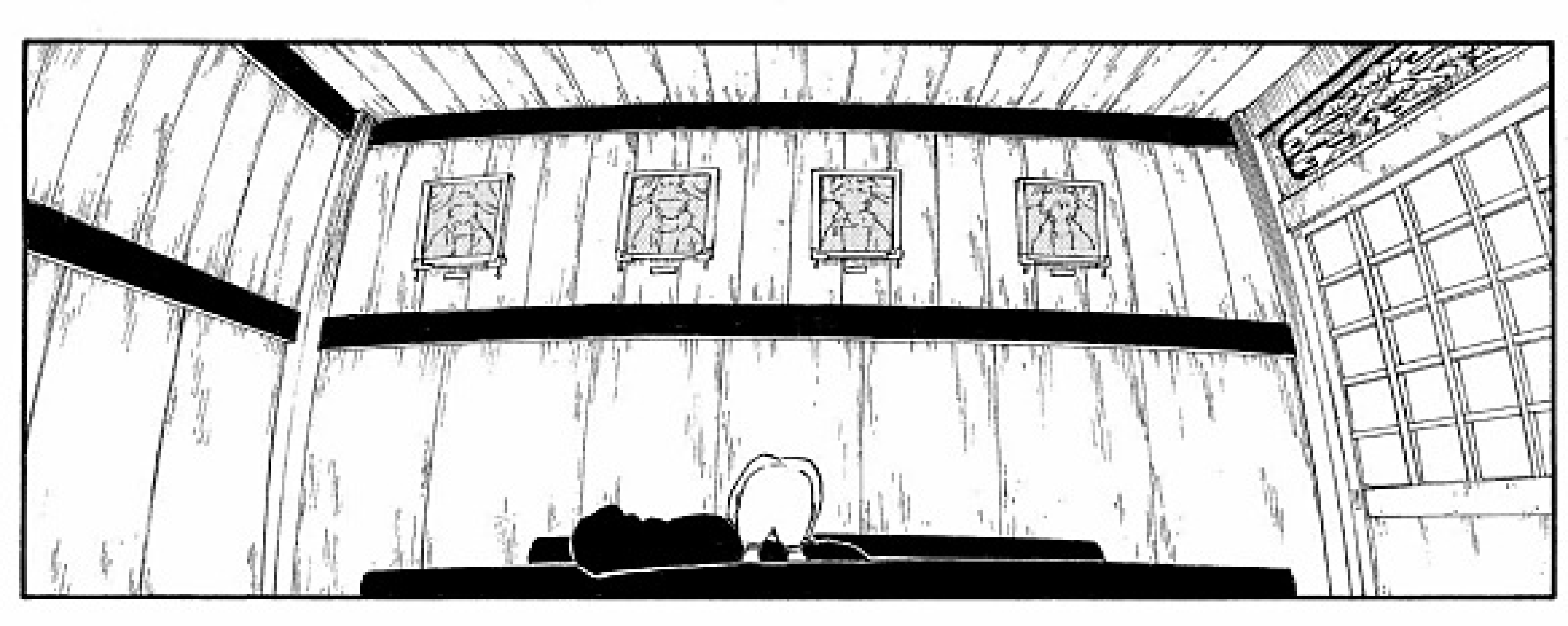

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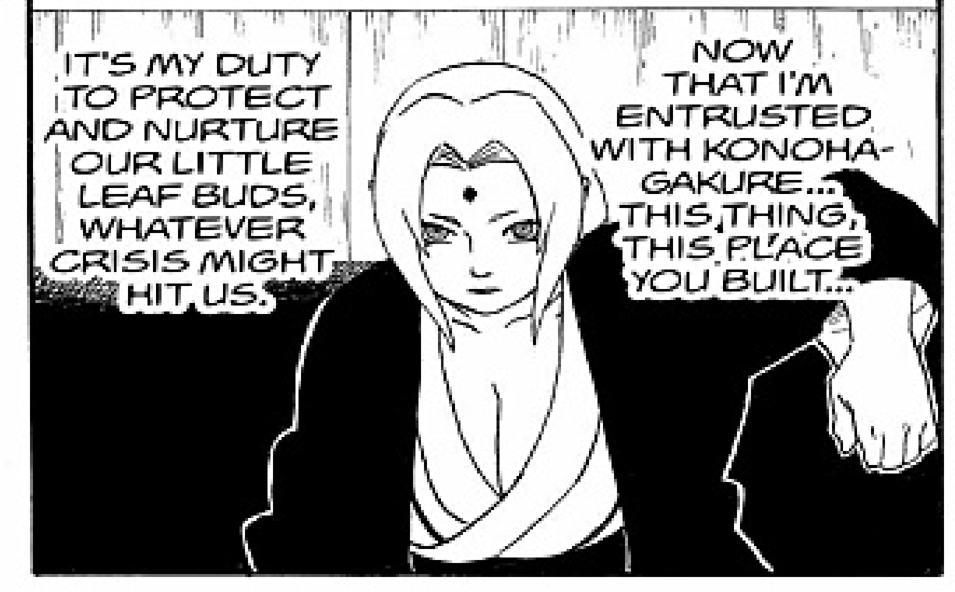






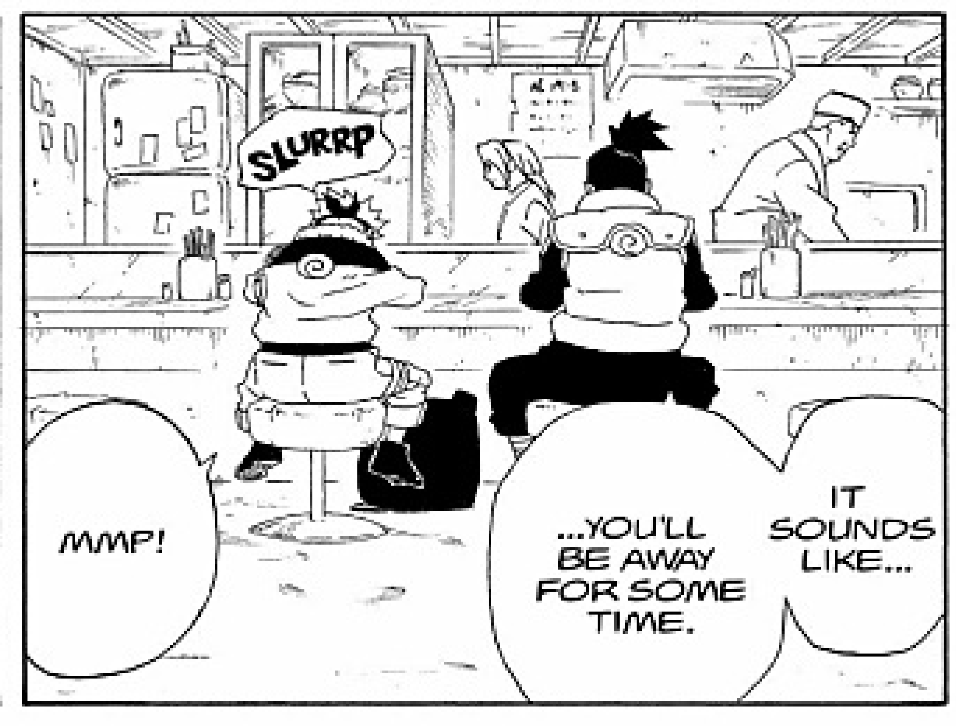




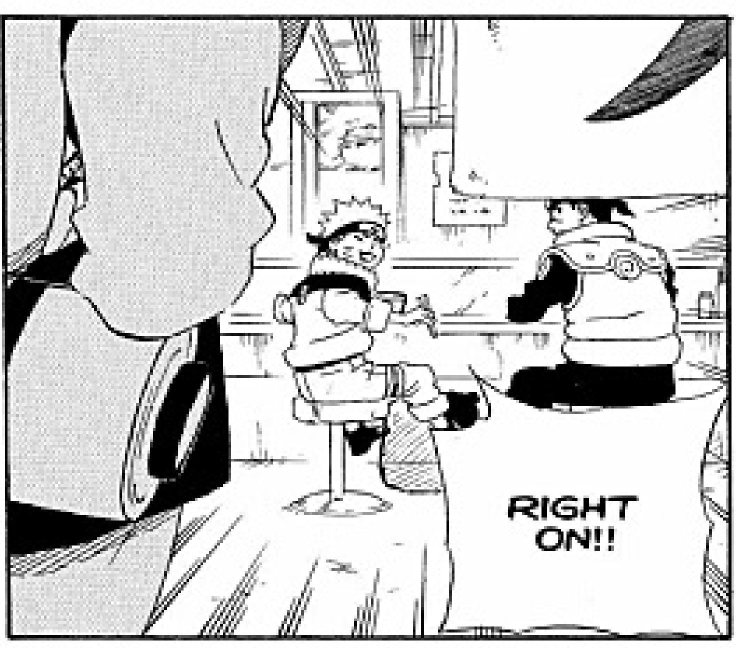

NOW THAT I'M ENTRUSTED WITH KONOHA-GAKURE... THIS THING, THIS PLACE YOU BUILT...
IT'S MY DUTY TO PROTECT AND NURTURE OUR LITTLE LEAF BUDS, WHATEVER CRISIS MIGHT HIT US.


THIS HOKAGE BUSINESS IS TOUGHER THAN IT LOOKS...


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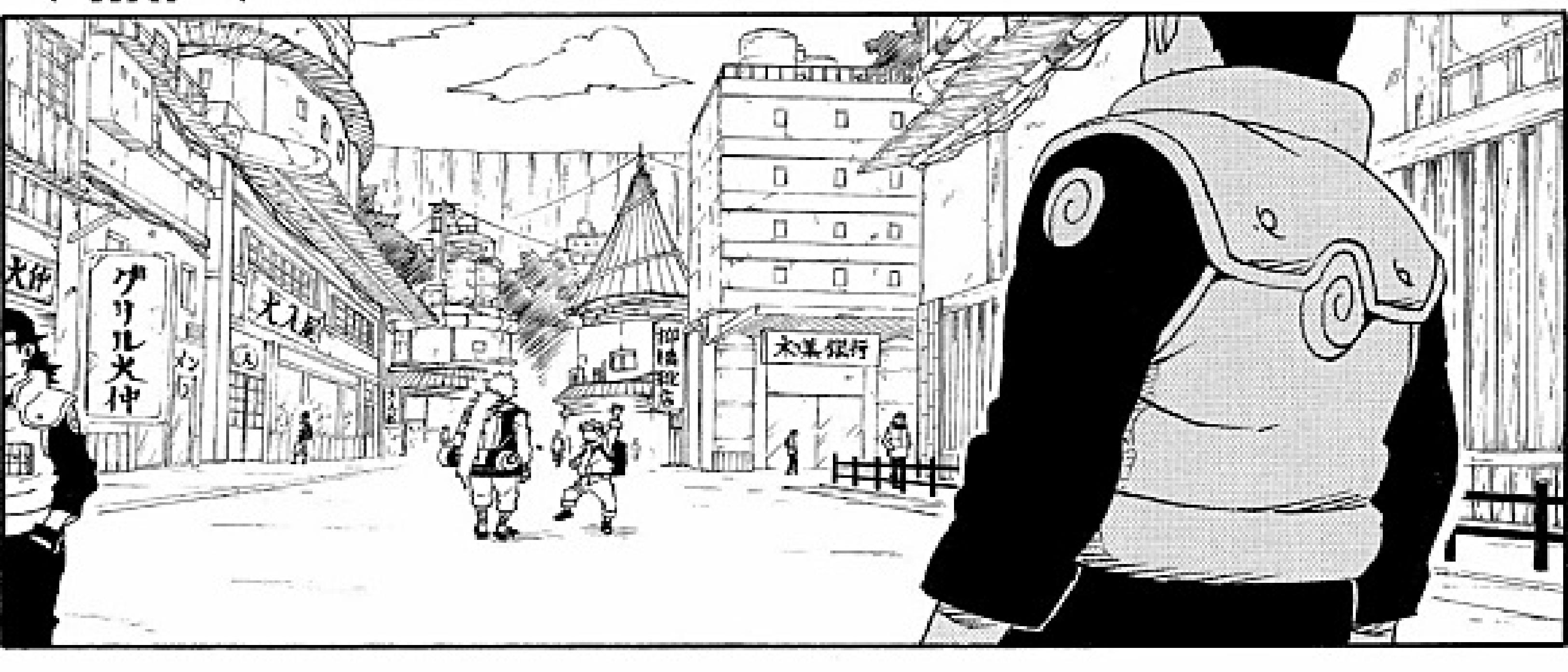

SLURRP
IT SOUNDS LIKE...
...YOU'LL BE AWAY FOR SOME TIME.
MMP!

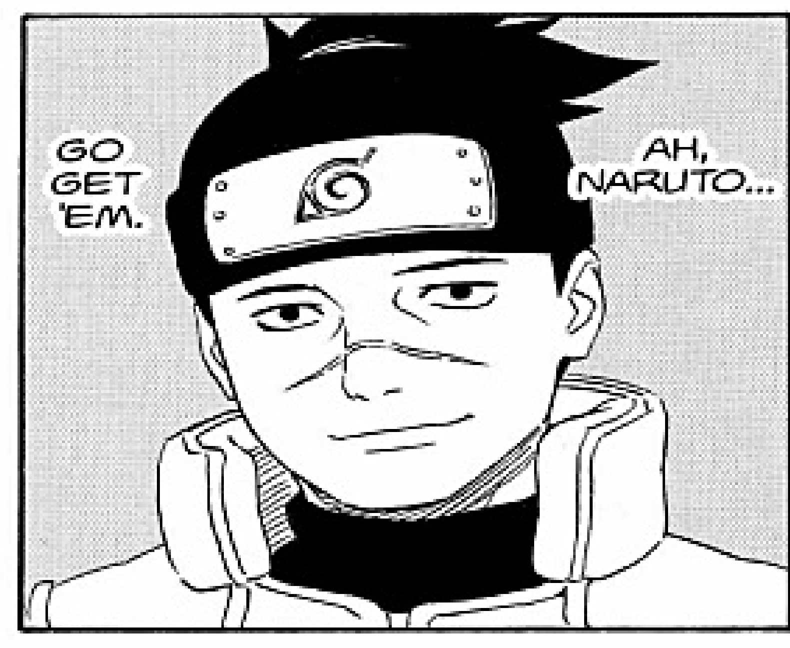

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WE SHOULD GET GOING, NARUTO.

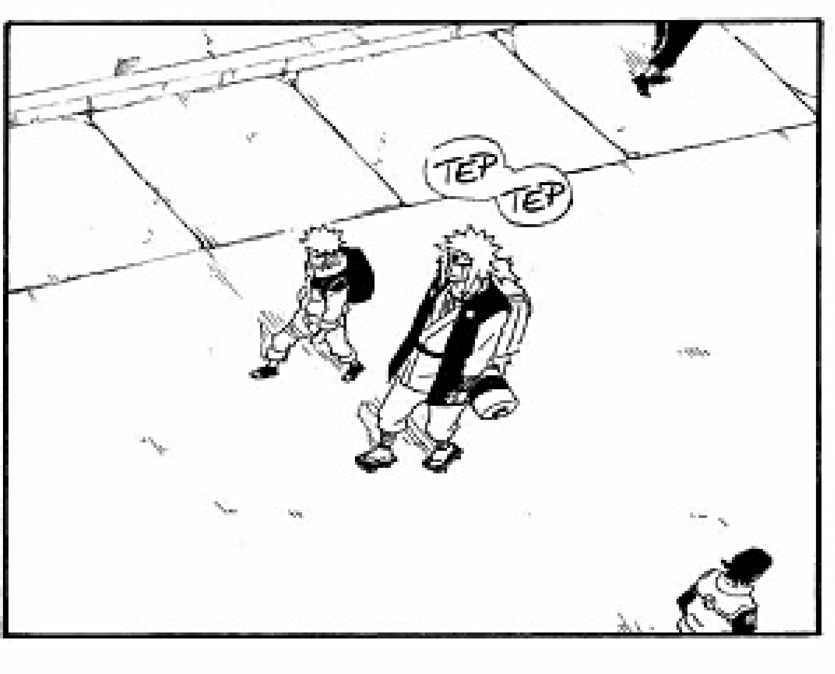

RIGHT ON!!


MASTER IRUKA, I'M OFF! SEE YA!
I'LL PAY YOU FOR THE NOODLES WHEN I'M RICH AND FAMOUS!
HEH...
一楽


READ
THIS
WAY




AH, NARUTO...
GO GET 'EM.


TEP
TEP


!


...
FWIP


YOU'LL SEE...

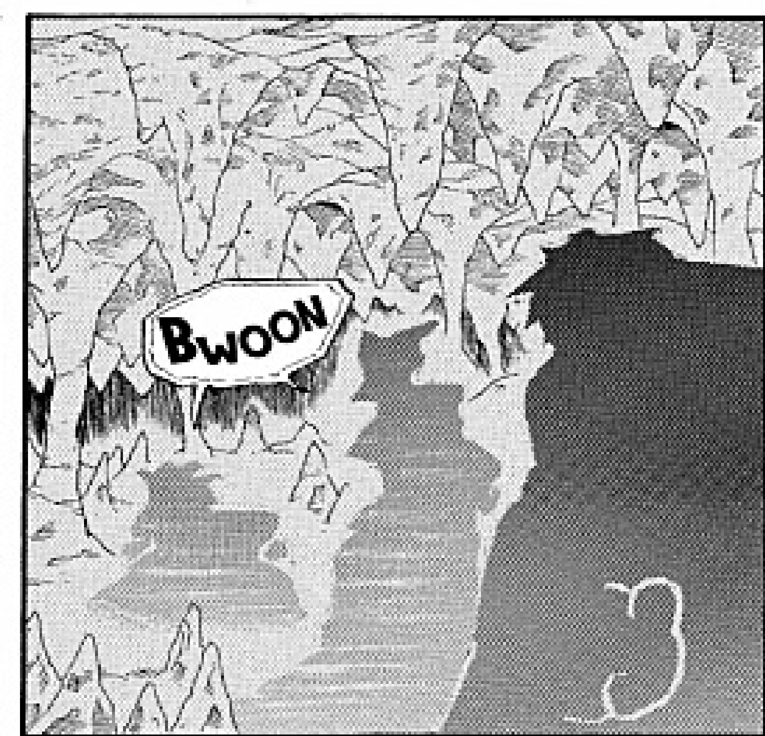

SHOOM


READ
THIS
WAY


WHAT'RE YOU DOING?! COME ON, NARUTO!
OKAY, COMING NOW!!
WSH


I GUESS... I'D BETTER WORK HARD MYSELF.


PUSH


BWOON


HEH HEH... THE LAST TIME WE ALL GATHERED LIKE THIS...
...WAS WHEN OROCHIMARU LEFT OUR FAMILY. SEVEN LONG YEARS...

ZWOO...

ZWOOO...

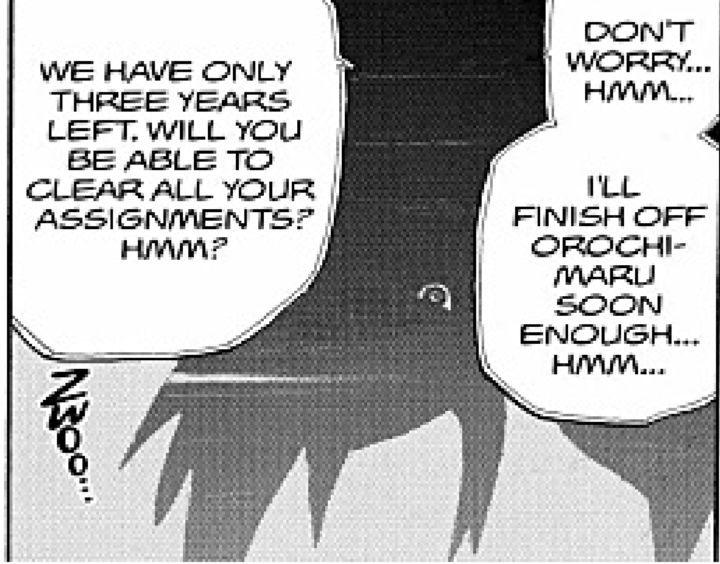
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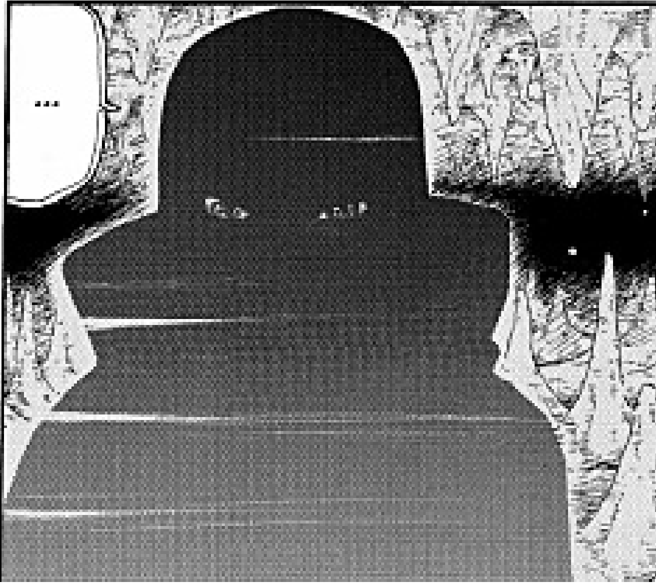
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SO IT'S YOUR BROTHER, ITACHI?
AND NOW OROCHIMARU HAS SHARINGAN...
ZWOO...
PLISHH









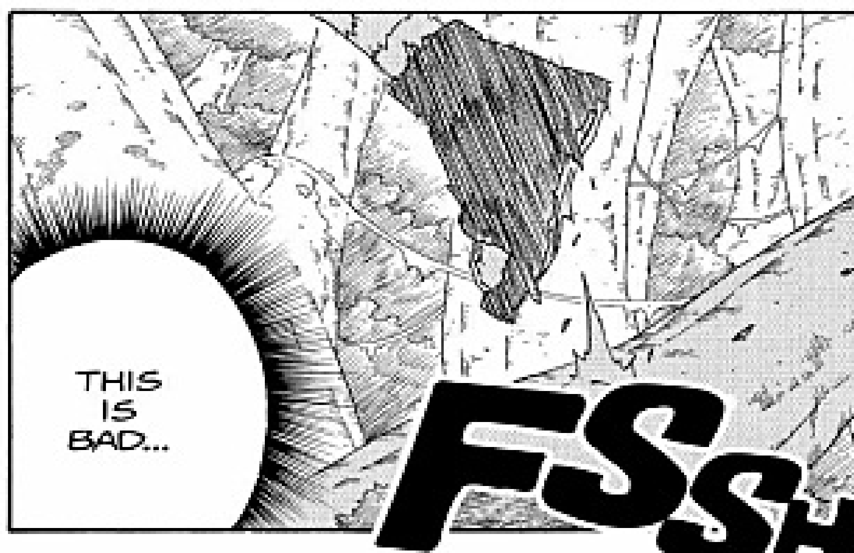
Number 239 Chronicle I: The Mission Begins...!!

MORE THAN TEN YEARS AGO... THE RULE OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL SHINOBI TERRITORIES WAS DESTABILIZED. SKIRMISHES AROSE NEAR THE BORDERS, DRAWING SMALL COUNTRIES AND SHINOBI VILLAGES INTO THE FRAY.

THE PROLONGED WARFARE REDUCED THE INFLUENCE OF THE LAND OF FIRE. EVEN ITS BASE OF MILITARY POWER, KONOHAGAKURE, WAS STRUCK BY A HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE.

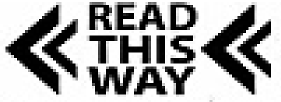
LATER ON, THIS CONFLICT WOULD BE KNOWN AS THE THIRD GREAT NINJA WAR.

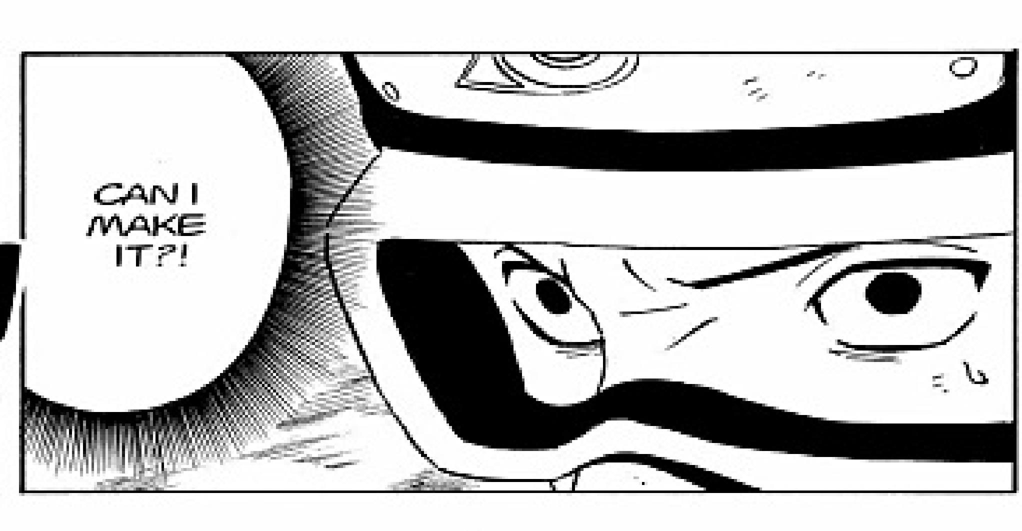
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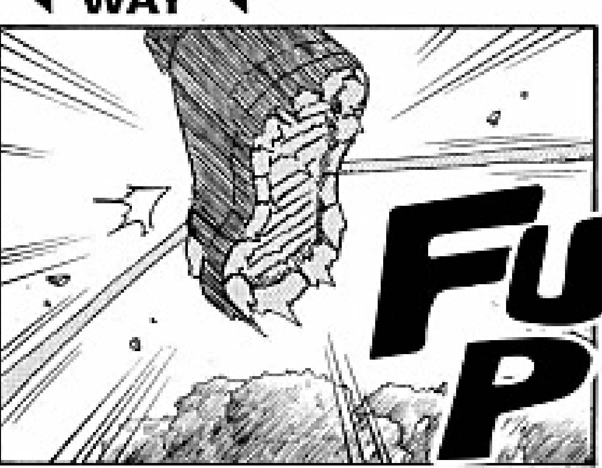




HE'S GONNA... KILL ME!
HUF
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RSHH

FSSH SH

WHOA!

ZKRRKK

UGH...

!

FOOP

TWEET

TWEE

DID I MAKE IT?

NO. YOU'RE LATE...

OBITO!

WHAT TIME DID YOU THINK WE WERE SUPPOSED TO MEET?

YOU MORON!

WHEN YOU'RE A FULL-FLEDGED SHINOBI, YOU'RE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW THE RULES!

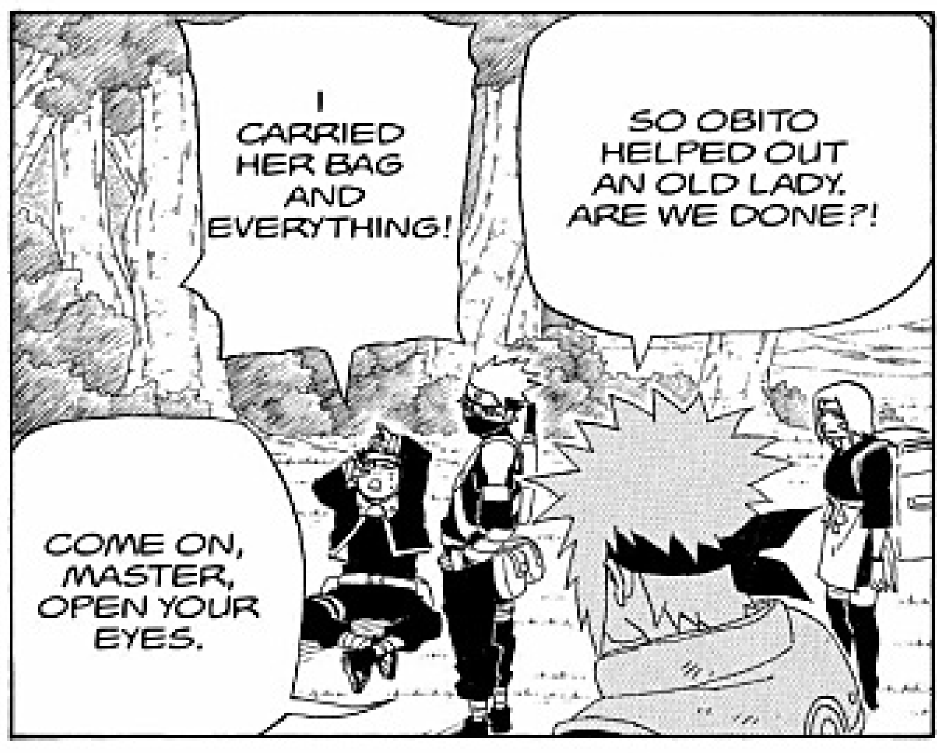
ER... IT'S JUST, I WAS ACCOSTED BY THIS FEEBLE OLD LADY WITH THIS BIG SACK. SHE KEPT ASKING ME DIRECTIONS...

I MEAN... ***OW***, DUST IN MY EYES...

COME ON! I KNOW YOU'RE LYING.

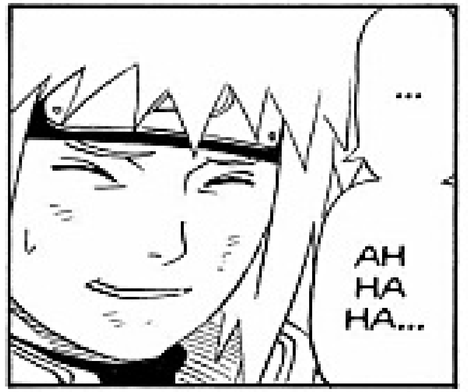
HMM.

THAT'S ENOUGH, KAKASHI!



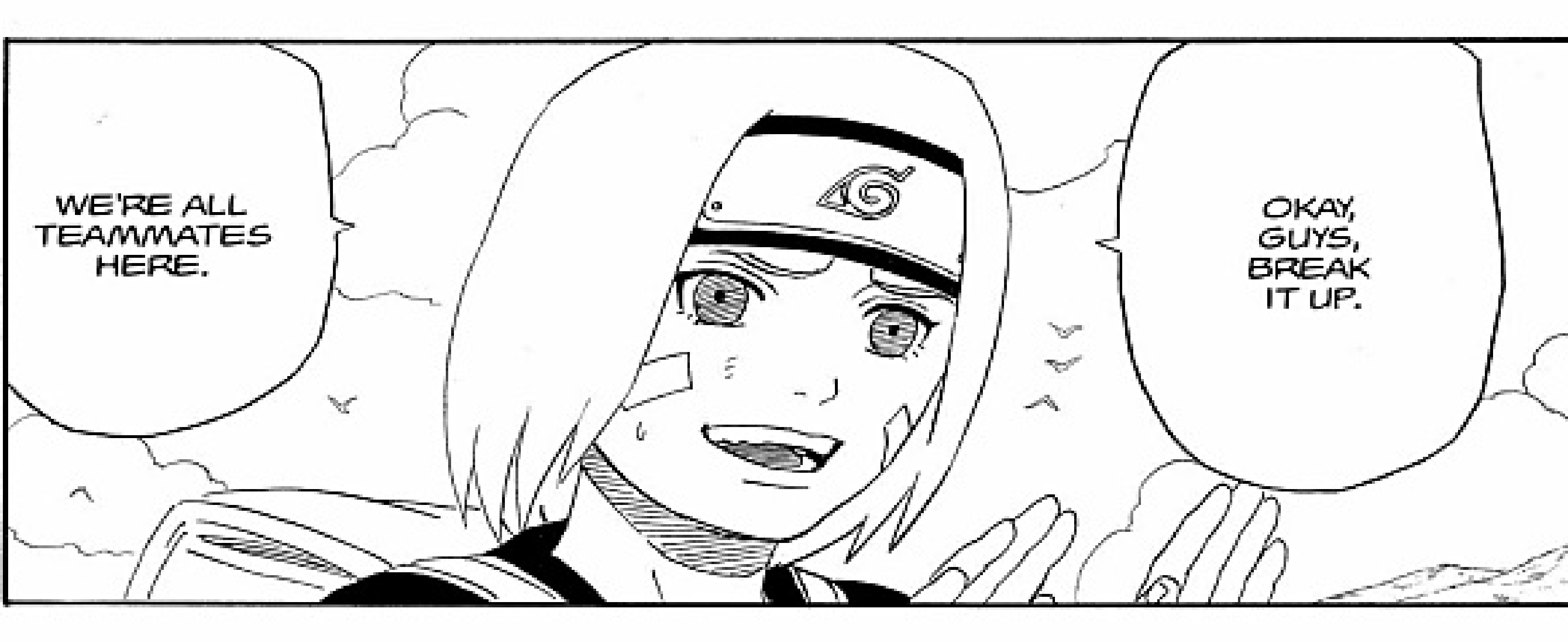







SQUIRK
WHAT ARE YOU, MADE OF STEEL?!
I'VE HEARD ENOUGH OF YOUR RULES THIS AND LAWS THAT!


THE KEY IS IN MAINTAINING SELF-CONTROL!
KRAK
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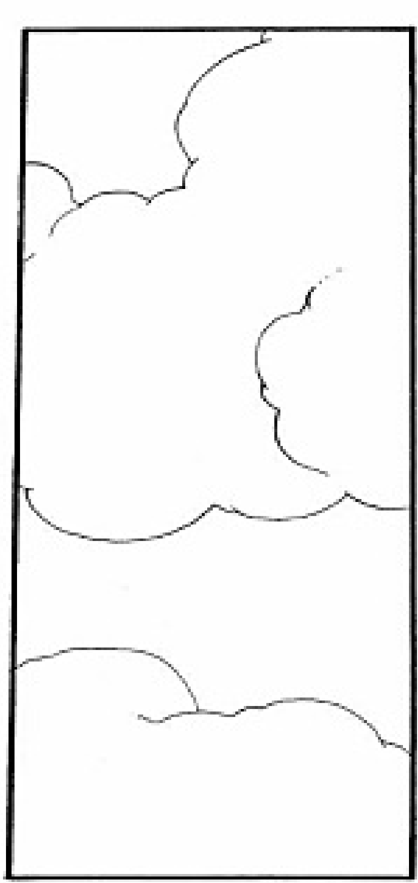

OKAY, GUYS, BREAK IT UP.
WE'RE ALL TEAMMATES HERE.

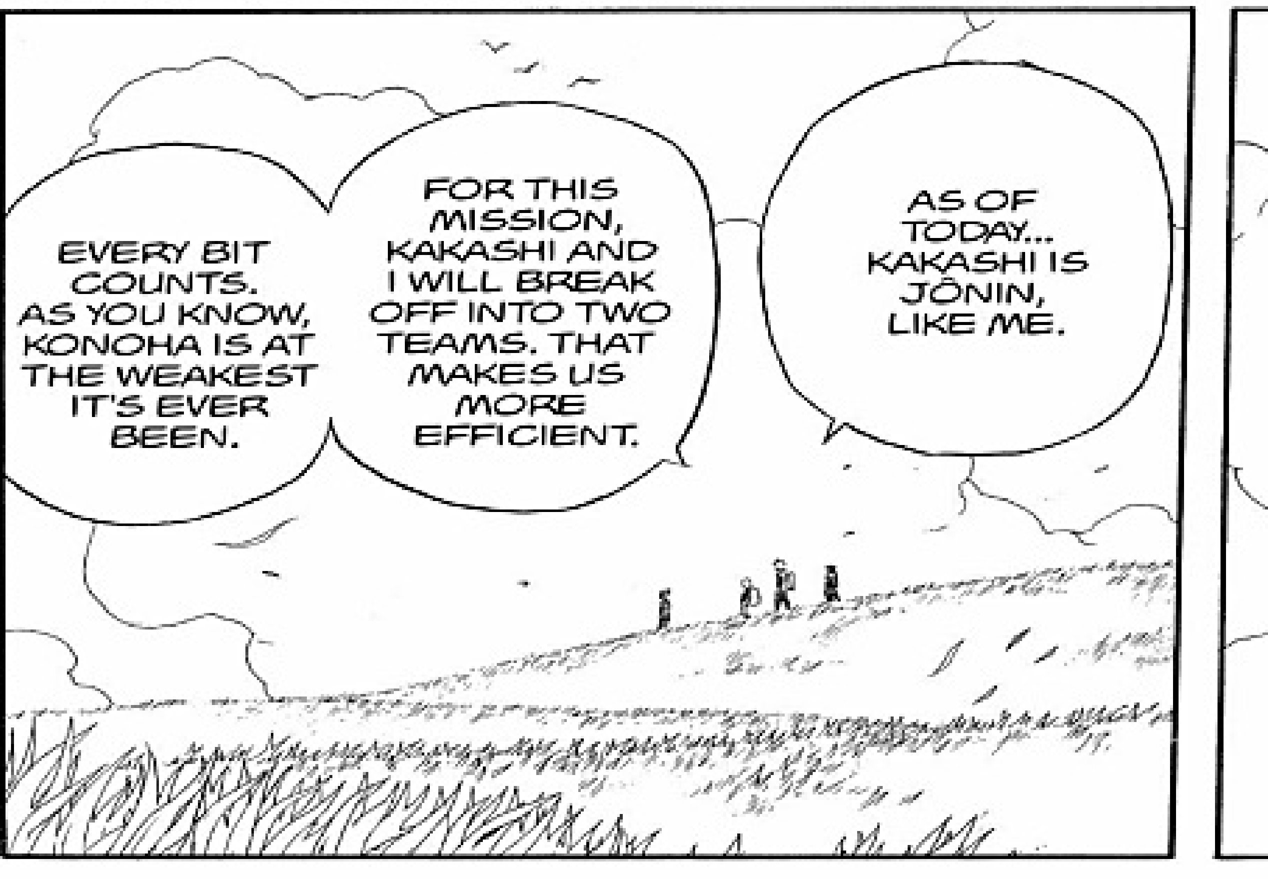

RIN, YOU GO TOO EASY ON OBITO...
REMEMBER, TODAY'S ALSO MY SPECIAL DAY...


UR... RIGHT...


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WHAT WAS IT AGAIN?


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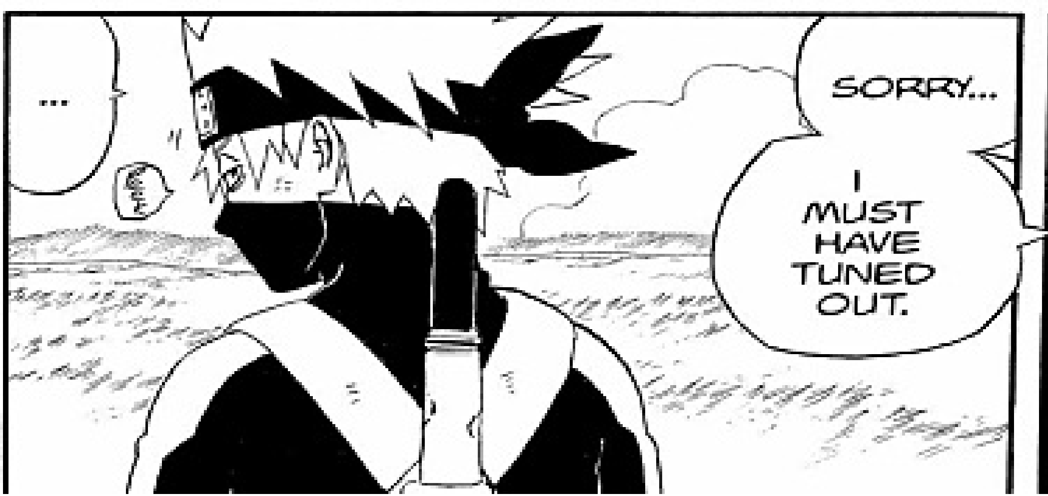



AS OF TODAY... KAKASHI IS JŌNIN, LIKE ME.
FOR THIS MISSION, KAKASHI AND I WILL BREAK OFF INTO TWO TEAMS. THAT MAKES US MORE EFFICIENT.
EVERY BIT COUNTS. AS YOU KNOW, KONOHA IS AT THE WEAKEST IT'S EVER BEEN.

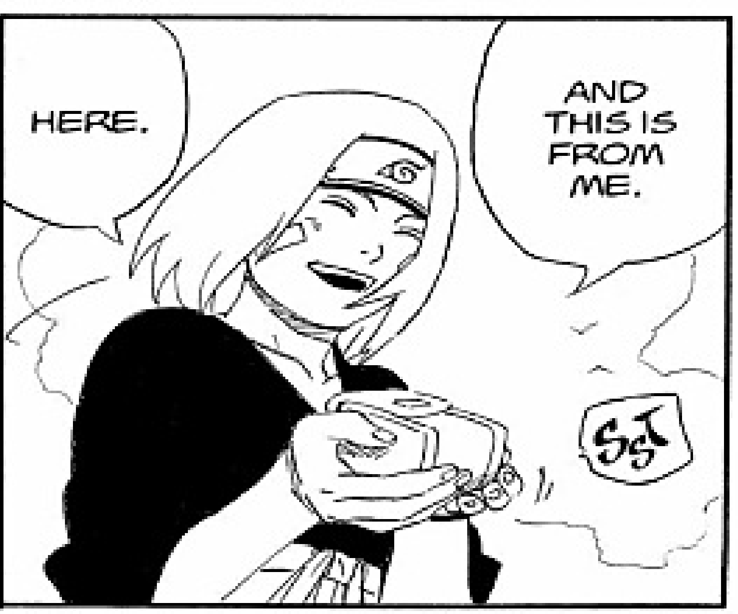

SPLIT UP?
YOU MEAN...
TEP
TEP
THAT'S RIGHT. OBITO AND RIN, YOU'LL FORM A THREE-MAN CELL, LED BY KAKASHI.
AND ME... I'LL BE ON MY OWN.


REMEMBER, WE TALKED ABOUT THIS THE OTHER DAY.
THIS IS WHERE WE EACH GIVE KAKASHI A GIFT.

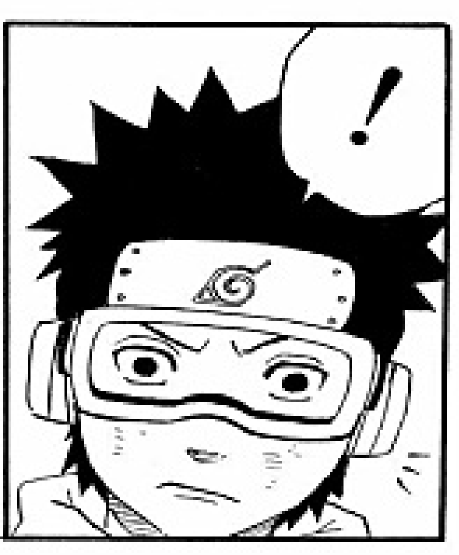

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SORRY...
I MUST HAVE TUNED OUT.
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A CUSTOM-MADE KUNAI KNIFE.
THIS IS MY PRESENT.
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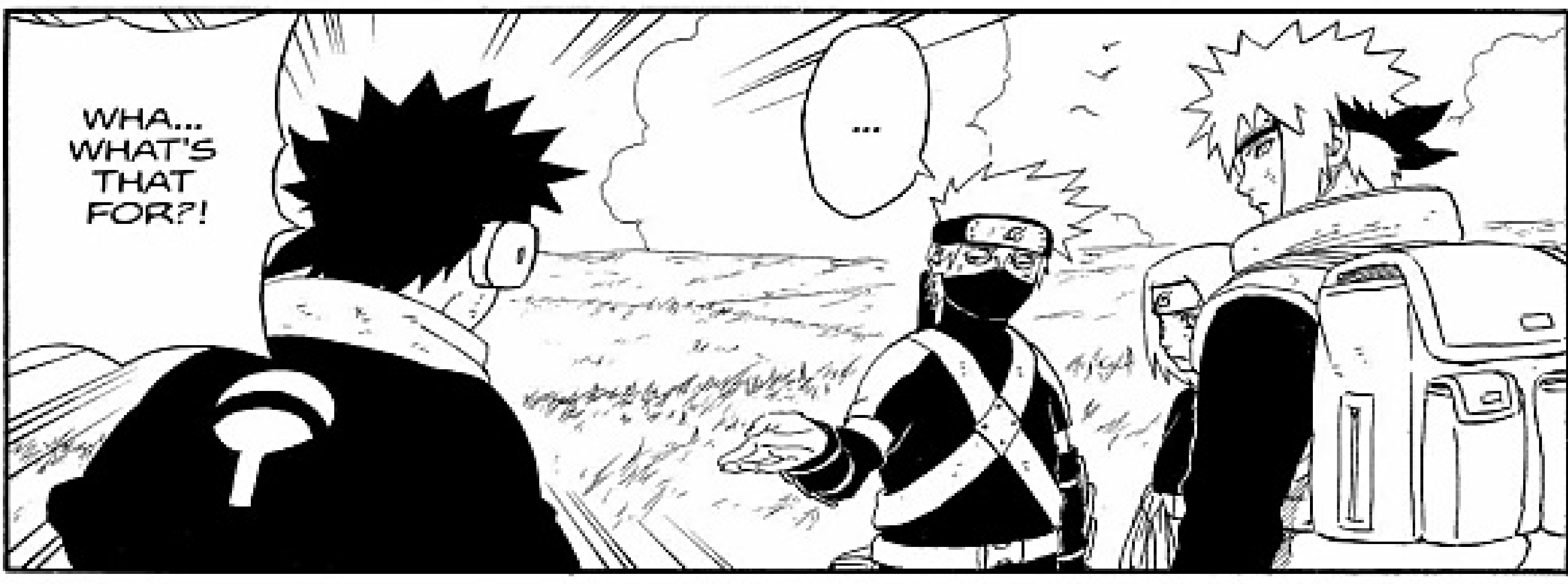









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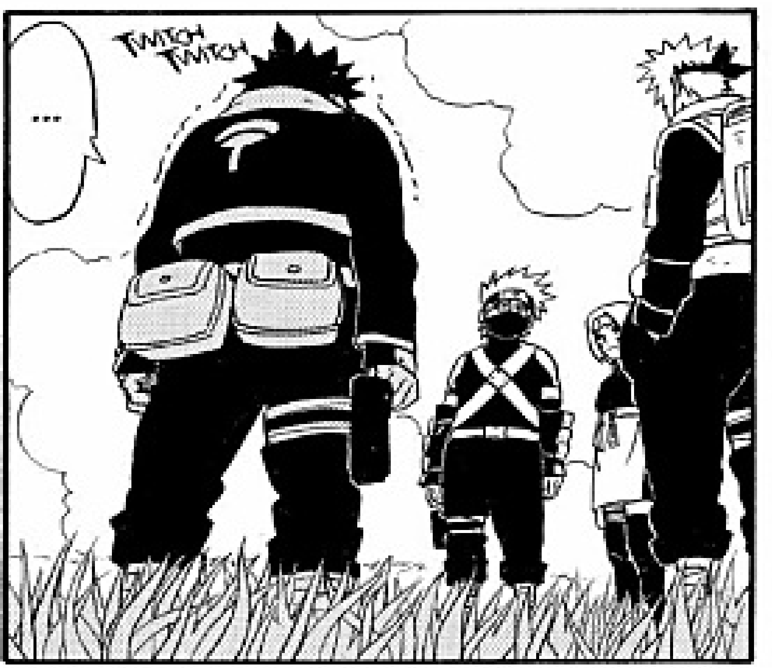

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WHA... WHAT'S THAT FOR?!


I'VE GOT NOTHING TO GIVE YOU!
NOT A THING!

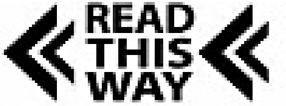

WELL... THAT'S ALL RIGHT. YOU'D JUST GIVE ME SOME GARBAGE ANYWAY.
BETTER NOTHING, THAN A USELESS BURDEN.

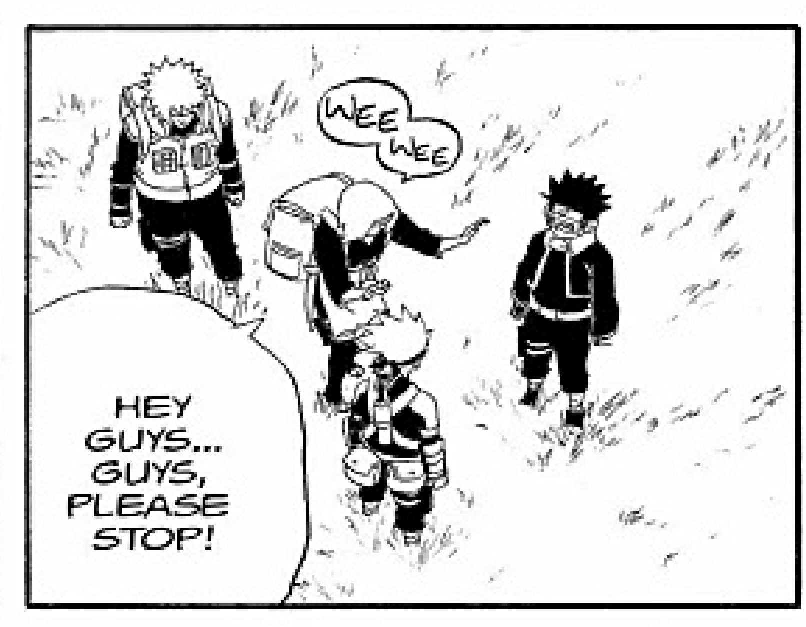

GRRR

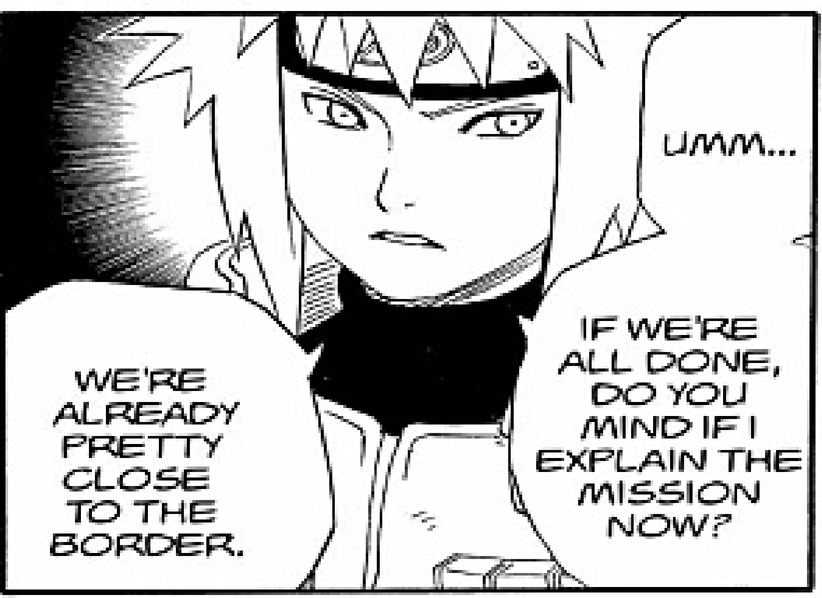

WHAT I DON'T SEE IS HOW THE HECK A GUY LIKE YOU GETS TO BE A JŌNIN!
DON'T TALK TO ME THAT WAY!

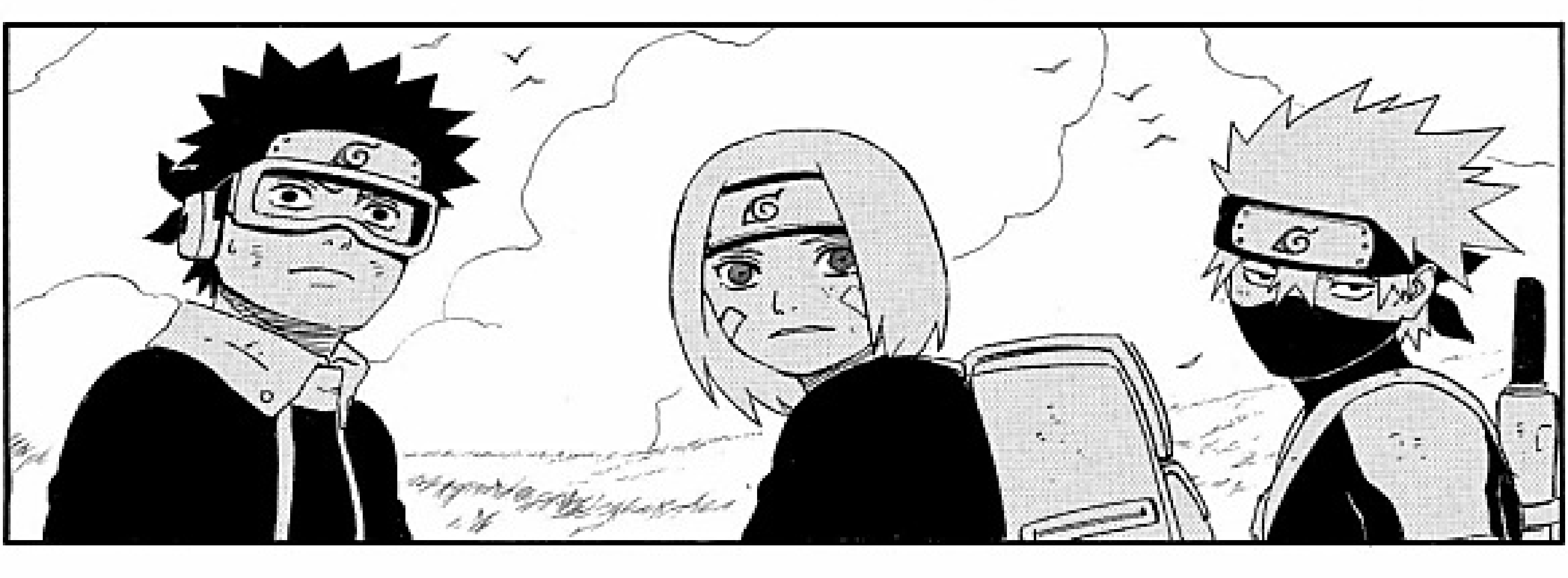

TWITCH TWITCH
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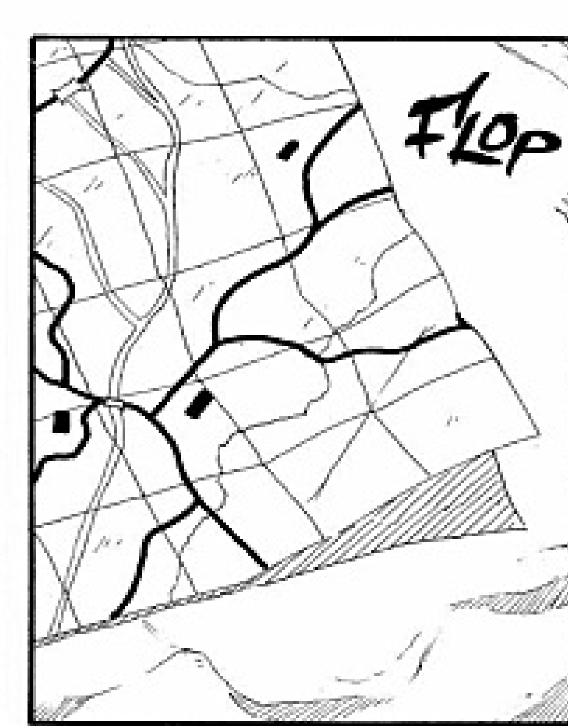
I AM OBITO, OF THE UCHIHA CLAN!
YOU'LL SEE, I'M GONNA BLAZE PAST YOU!!
JUST WAIT 'TIL MY SHARINGAN AWAKENS!
THE UCHIHA CLAN IS MADE UP OF ELITES... RIGHT?
WITH THAT KIND OF BREEDING, SHOULDN'T YOU BE GREAT ALREADY?
WHAAT...!


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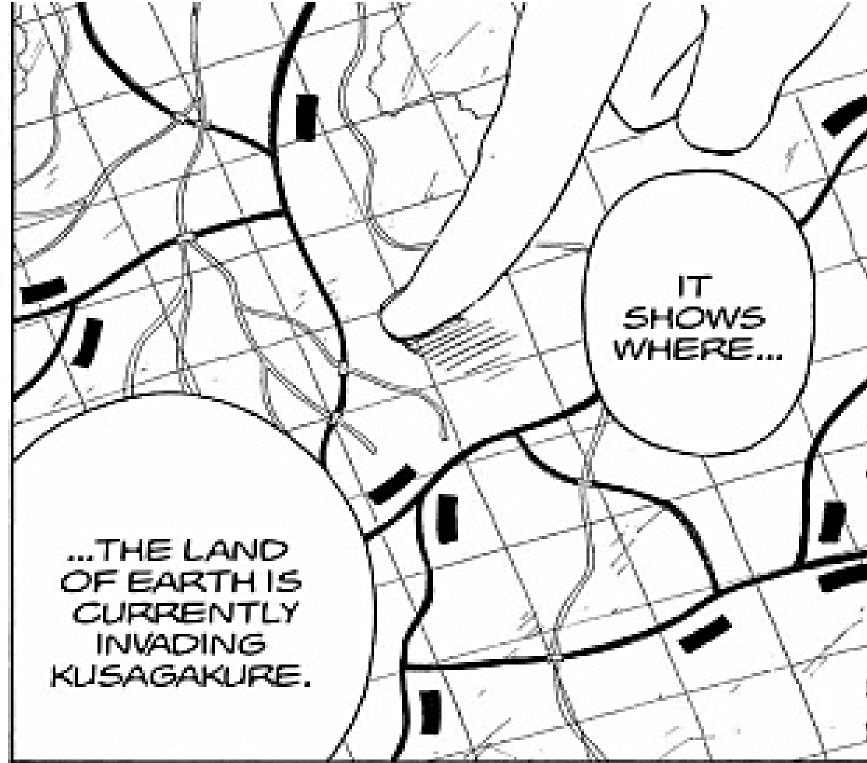

WEE WEE
HEY GUYS... GUYS, PLEASE STOP!


UMM...
IF WE'RE ALL DONE, DO YOU MIND IF I EXPLAIN THE MISSION NOW?
WE'RE ALREADY PRETTY CLOSE TO THE BORDER.

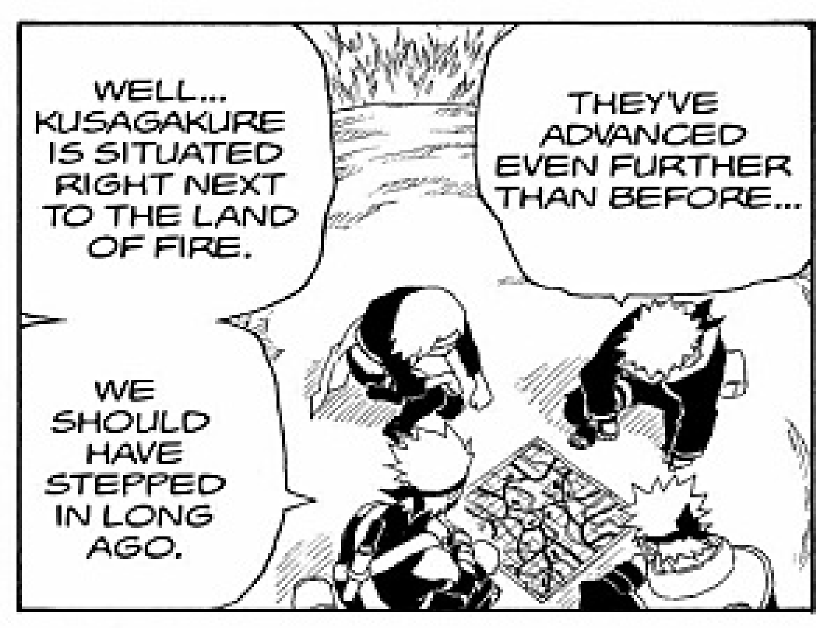


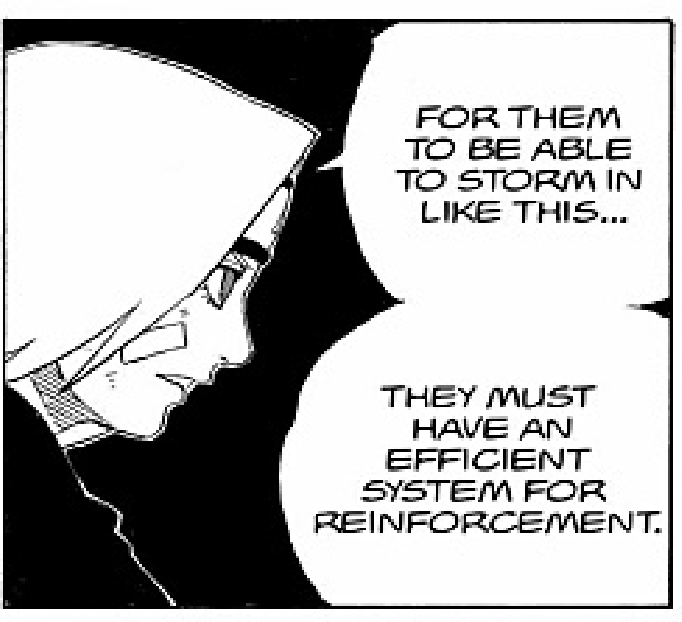

FLOP


SEE... IT'S THIS LINE, HERE.

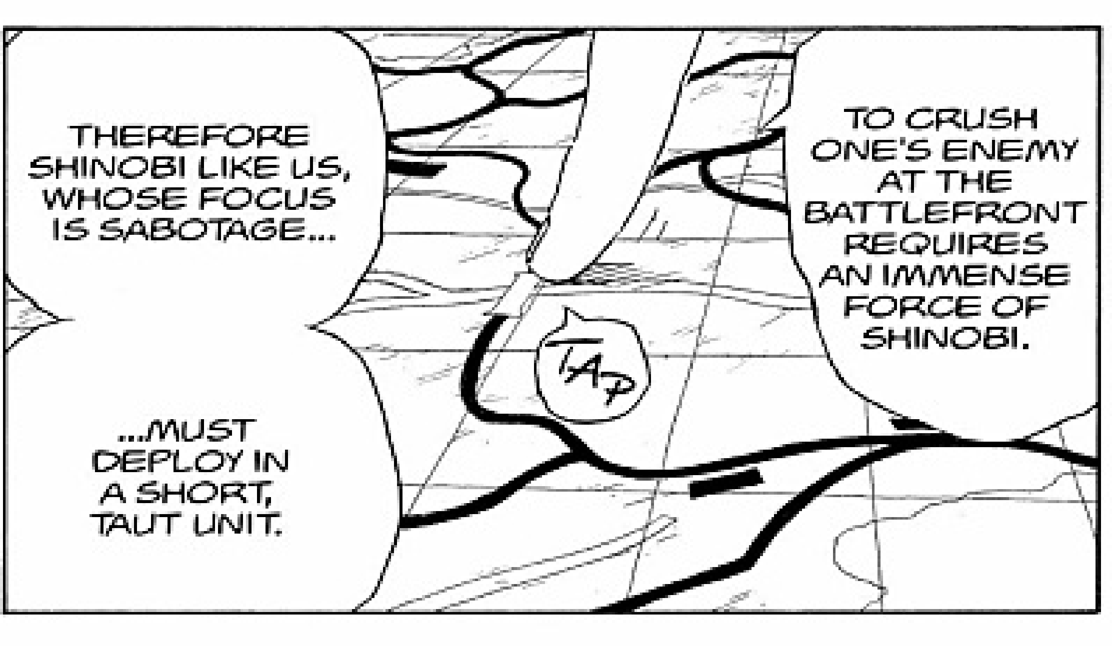

IT SHOWS WHERE...
...THE LAND OF EARTH IS CURRENTLY INVADING KUSAGAKURE.


OUR ENEMY IS THE SHINOBI OF IWAGA-KURE...
ACCORDING TO MY INFO, THEY'VE ALREADY DEPLOYED A THOUSAND SHINOBI TO THE BATTLEFRONT.


THEY'VE ADVANCED EVEN FURTHER THAN BEFORE...
WELL... KUSAGAKURE IS SITUATED RIGHT NEXT TO THE LAND OF FIRE.
WE SHOULD HAVE STEPPED IN LONG AGO.


FOR THEM TO BE ABLE TO STORM IN LIKE THIS...
THEY MUST HAVE AN EFFICIENT SYSTEM FOR REINFORCEMENT.

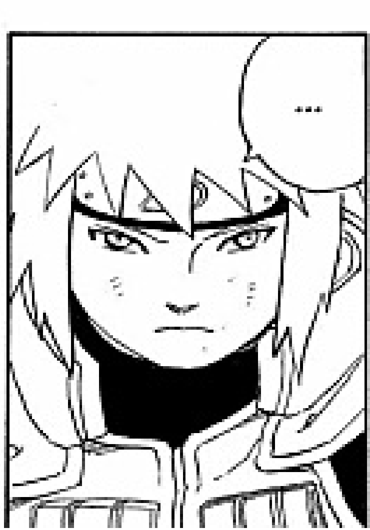

SO, OUR MISSION IS...
RIGHT HERE.


TO CRUSH ONE'S ENEMY AT THE BATTLEFRONT REQUIRES AN IMMENSE FORCE OF SHINOBI.
TAP
THEREFORE SHINOBI LIKE US, WHOSE FOCUS IS SABOTAGE...
...MUST DEPLOY IN A SHORT, TAUT UNIT.

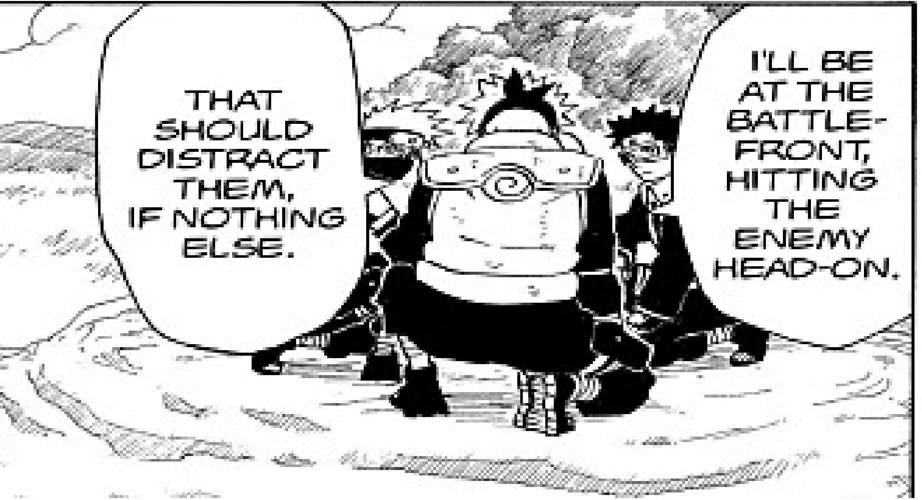

SO... IT'S THE BRIDGE?
YOU'RE SAYING THIS IS AN INFILTRATION MISSION.

RIGHT!
TEAM KAKASHI... YOUR MISSION IS...
STEAL INTO THE TAIL END OF ENEMY TERRITORY...
DESTROY THE SUPPLY BRIDGE, BREAK UP THE SUPPORT OPERATION...
AND PROMPTLY EVACUATE.


YES SIR!!

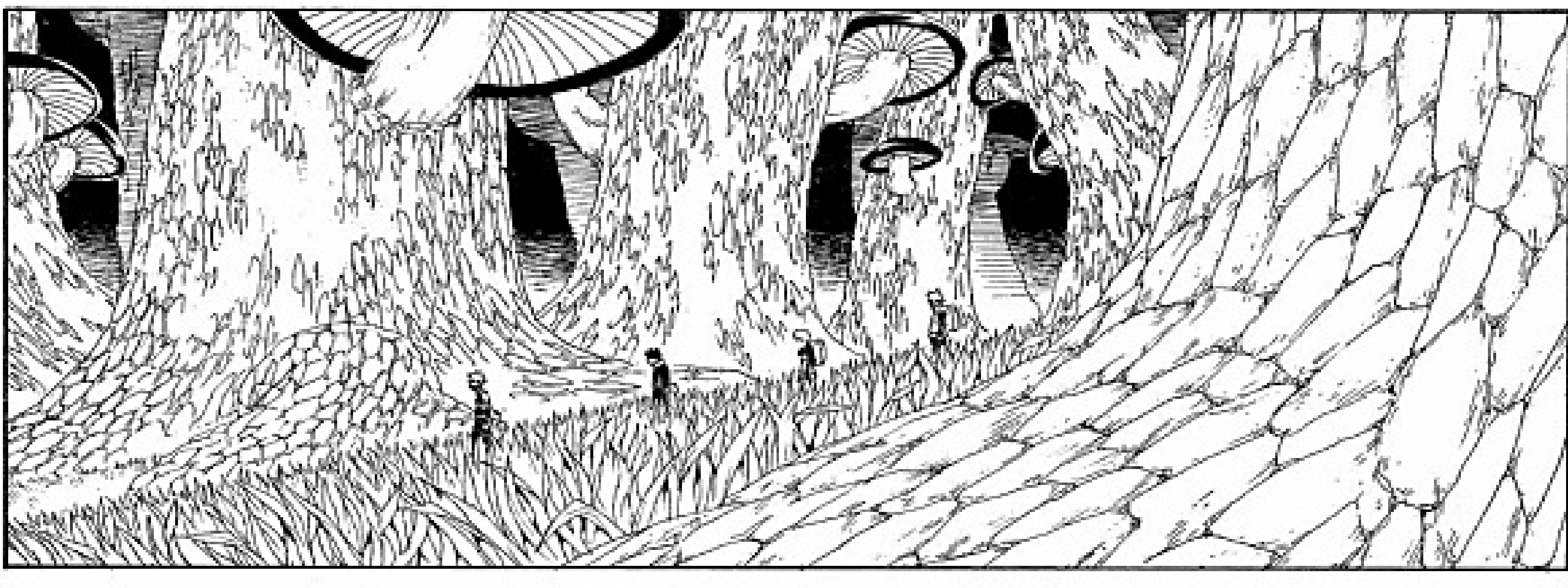

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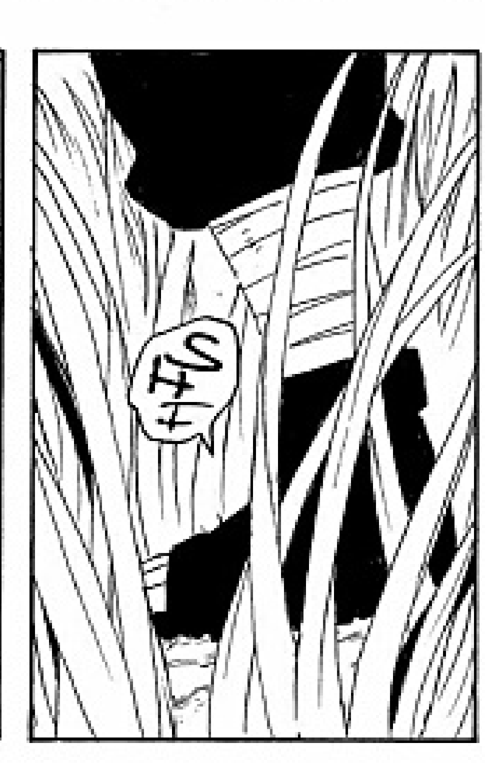

AND YOU... MASTER?


I'LL BE AT THE BATTLE-FRONT, HITTING THE ENEMY HEAD-ON.
THAT SHOULD DISTRACT THEM, IF NOTHING ELSE.

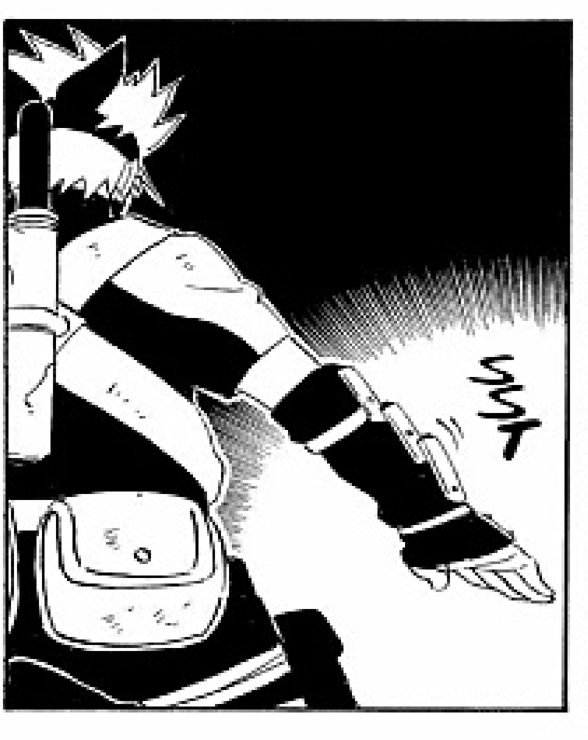
SMEK
SMEK
SO TODAY KAKASHI IS IN CHARGE, GOT IT?
WE'LL STICK TOGETHER UNTIL THE BORDER. FROM THERE, WE SPLIT UP AND SET ABOUT OUR OWN MISSIONS.
YES SIR!!


READ
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WAY

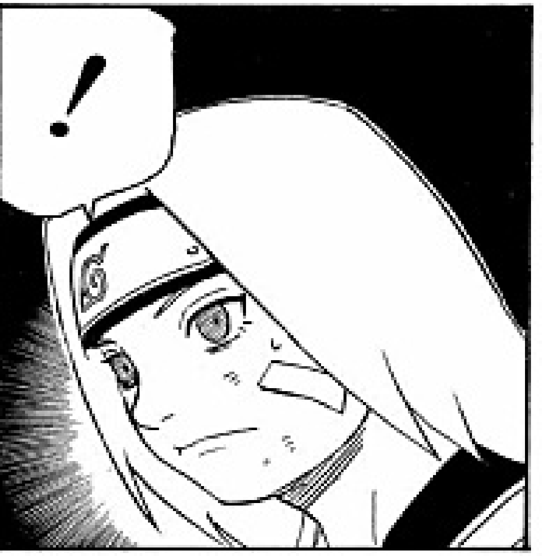





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TWIK


SST

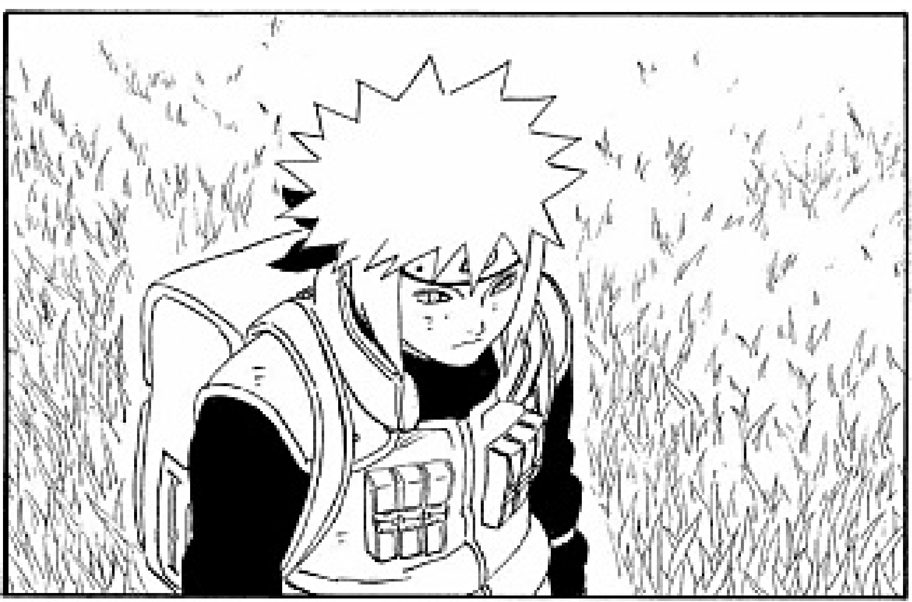

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NICE... KAKASHI.

THEY DETECTED ME...

COLOR ME IMPRESSED.









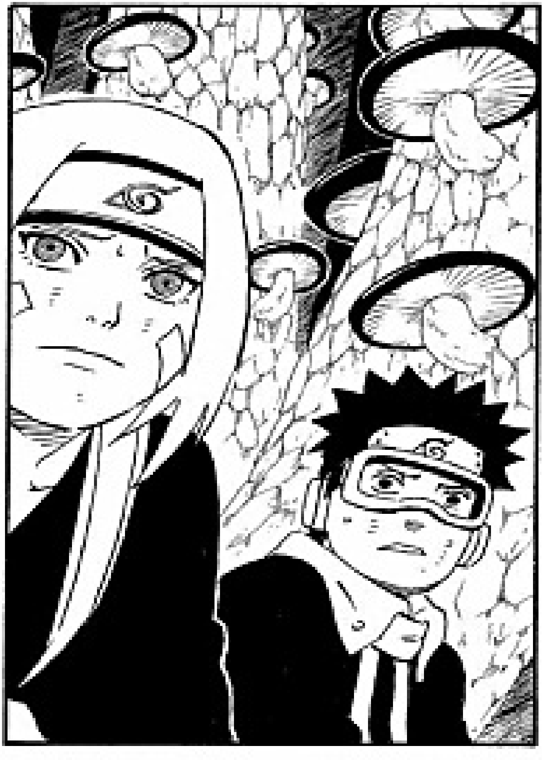


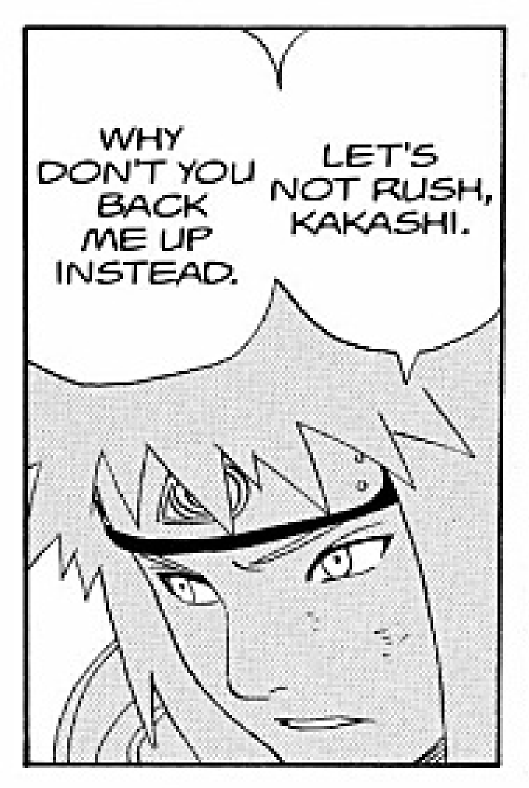

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BE ALERT, EVERYONE...
THERE'RE AT LEAST TWENTY... BUT I BELIEVE THEY'RE SHADOW DOPPELGANGERS.


YES, THAT SEEMS LIKELY...
MASTER... IF I CHARGE, WILL YOU BACK ME UP?




LET'S NOT RUSH, KAKASHI.
WHY DON'T YOU BACK ME UP INSTEAD.


PARDON ME, MASTER... YOU DID SAY I'M IN CHARGE TODAY?
I WANT TO TRY A NEW JUTSU I'M WORKING OUT RIGHT NOW.
FWIP FWIP FWIP



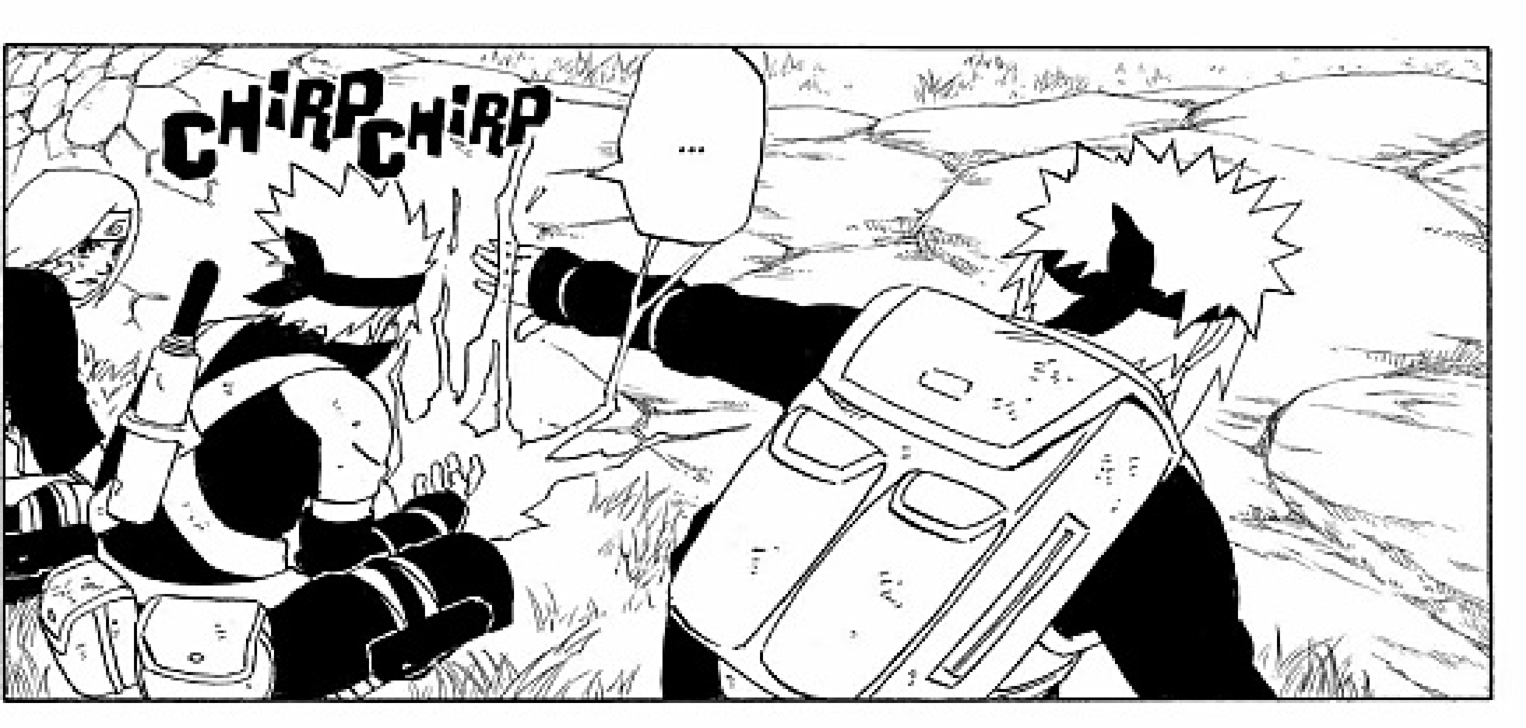

READ THIS WAY
RIGHT! HERE HE COMES!
WHA... WHAT KIND OF JUTSU IS THAT?!
WHAT AN... INCREDIBLE CHAKRA...
...
LET'S MOVE!!


CHIDORI! 1000 BIRDS!!


NARUTO
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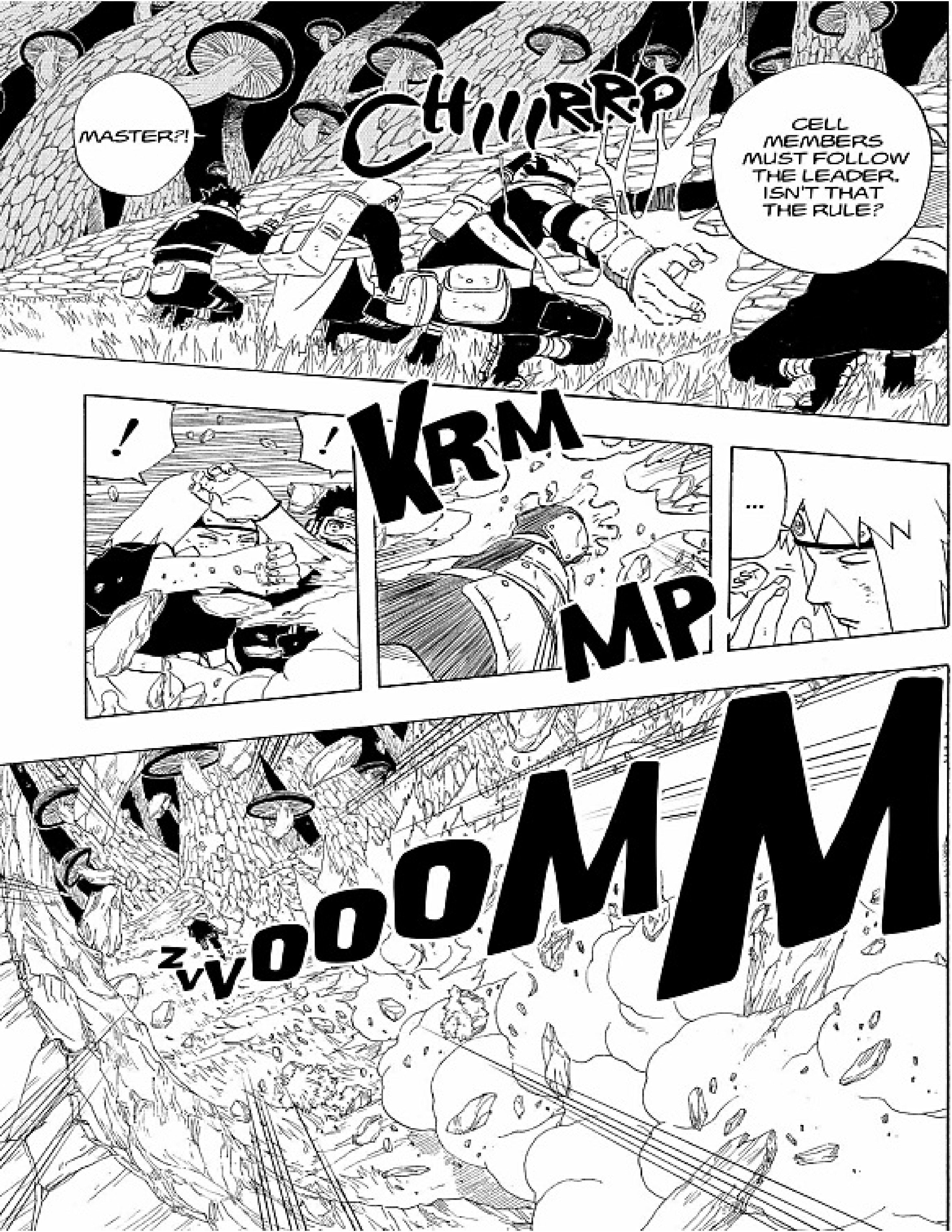

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CHIRP CHIRP
...

IT WAS YOU, MASTER, WHO SAID...
I AM THE LEADER RIGHT NOW.

EVEN IF OUR ENEMY IS GREAT IN NUMBER, WITH THIS JUTSU I CAN FINISH THEM IN AN INSTANT.
IT'S NAMED AFTER YOUR ALIAS. AND ANYWAY...



CELL MEMBERS MUST FOLLOW THE LEADER. ISN'T THAT THE RULE?
CHIIRRRP
MASTER?!
...
KRM
MP
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ZVVOOOOMM

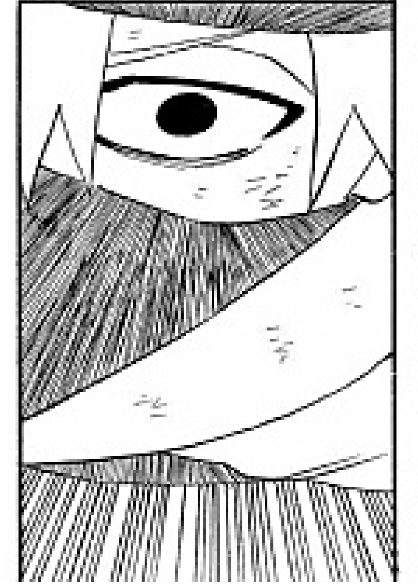


ZVVOOM
NEVER THOUGHT HE'D CHARGE STRAIGHT IN...
SNIK
FOOSH
CHING
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TAK
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PLOK
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EEK!

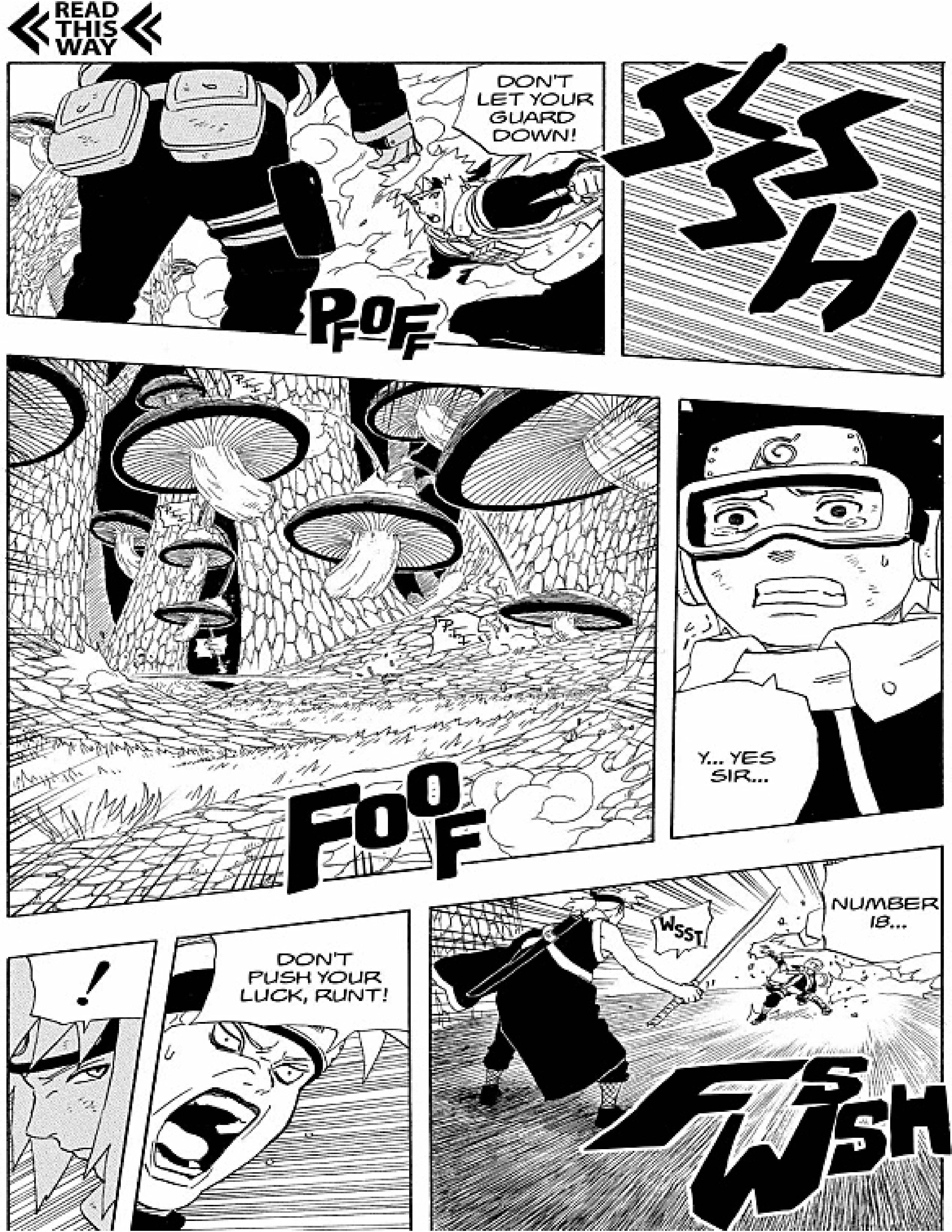
THE KUNAI KNIVES PINPOINTED ALL OF YOUR LOCATIONS.
GRRR
NOW HERE I COME!
BZZK
FSSH
SHLOKK



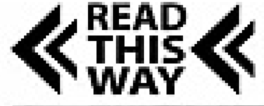


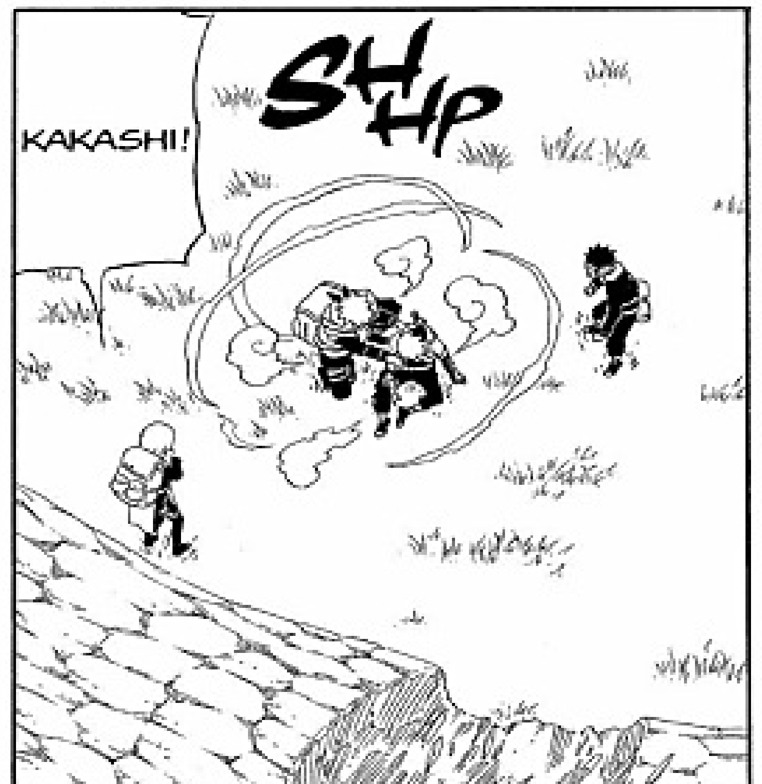



ARGH! A SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGER...
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PFOOFF
UGAH!
NEXT ONE!
!!
SKRRT
WOOP WOOP
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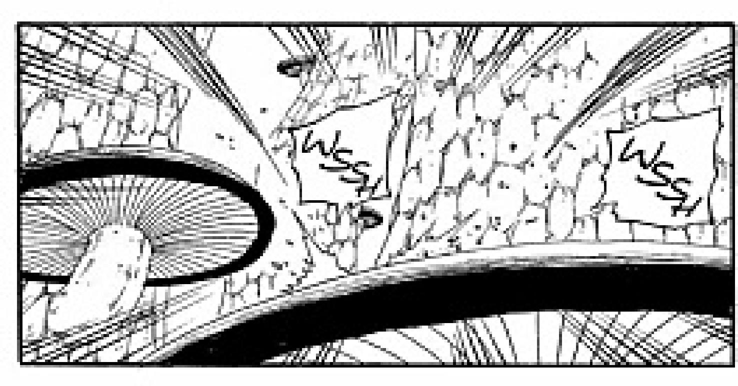

READ THIS WAY
SSSH
DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN!
PFOFF
Y... YES SIR...
FOOF
NUMBER 18...
WSST
FSWSH
DON'T PUSH YOUR LUCK, RUNT!
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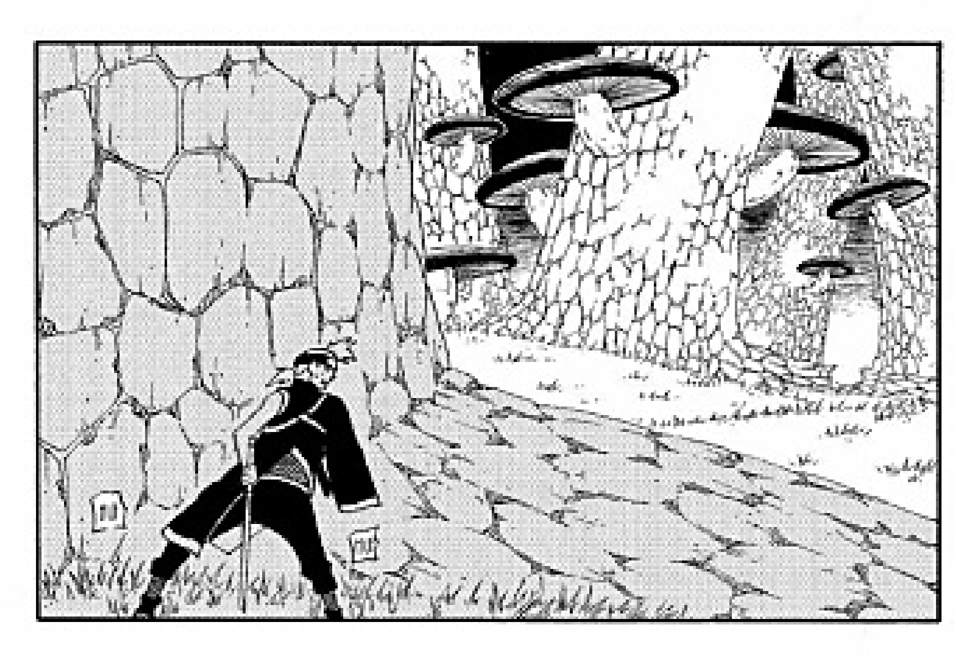

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WOOSH
SPAK

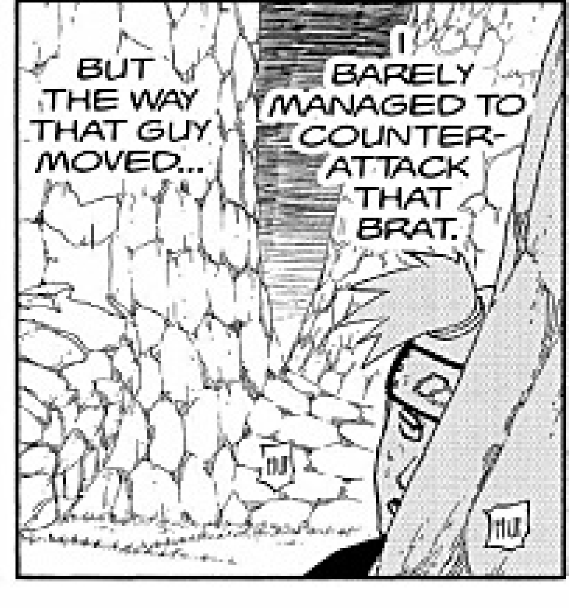

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SHHP
KAKASHI!




WSSH
WSSH

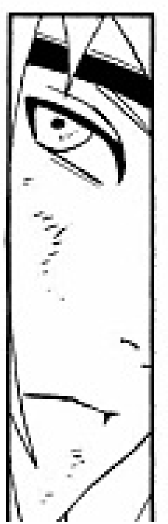



I BARELY MANAGED TO COUNTER-ATTACK THAT BRAT.
BUT THE WAY THAT GUY MOVED...


SST
I MARKED HIM...




SLURR

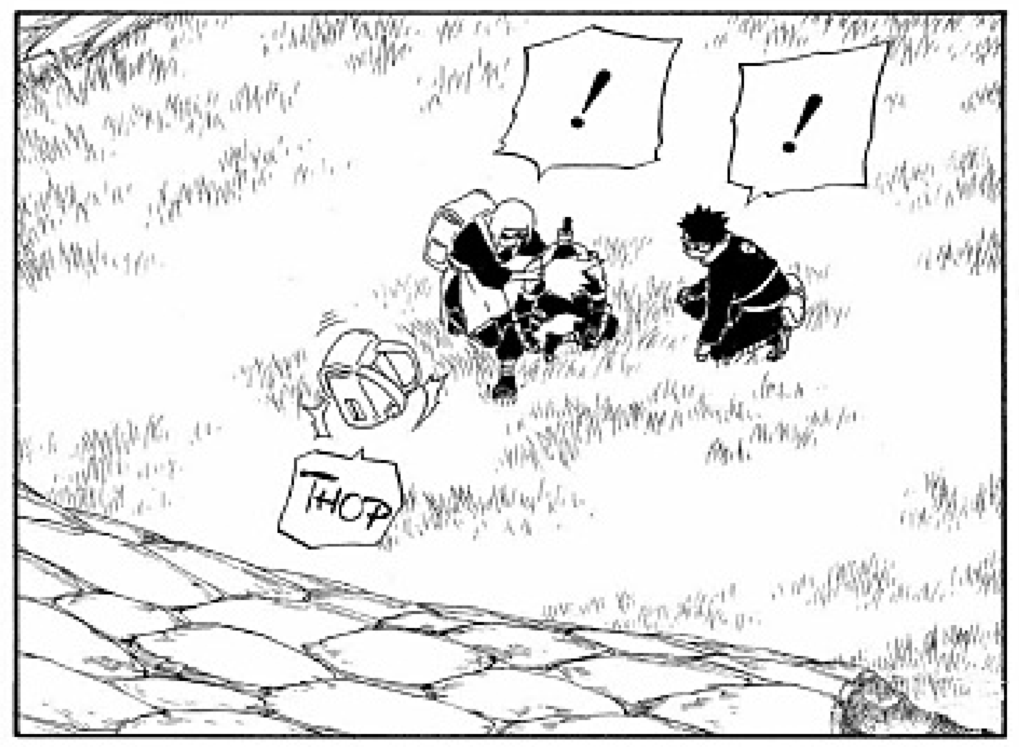





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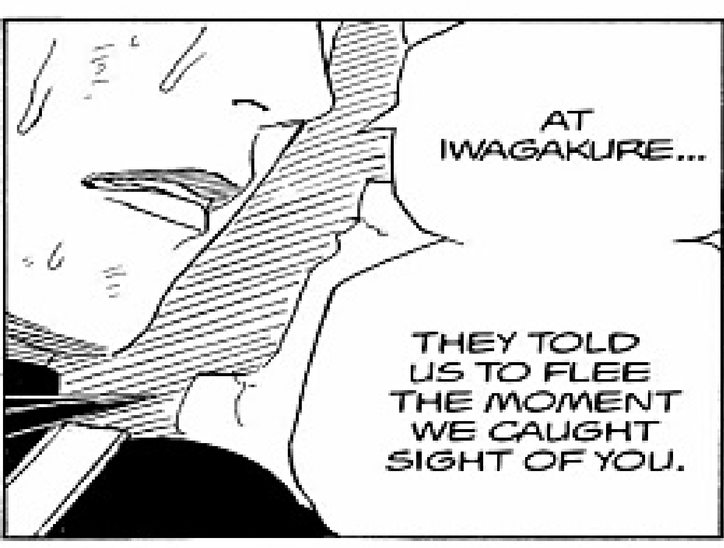
MASTER'S ART OF TELEPOR-TATION...
...IS SO FAST!!



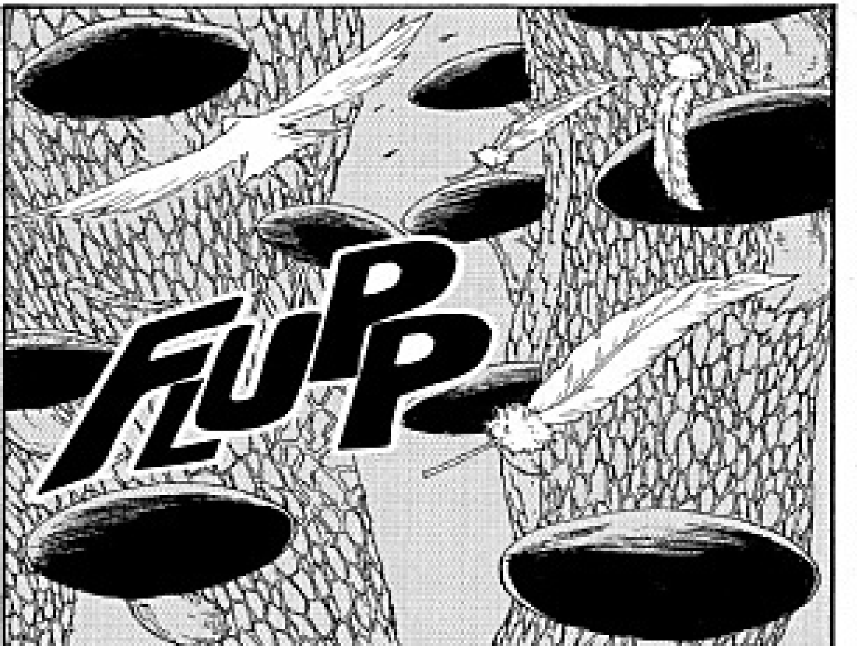
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THOP

NO... NO WAY... YOU CAN'T BE...

THE YELLOW FLASH OF KONOHA?!

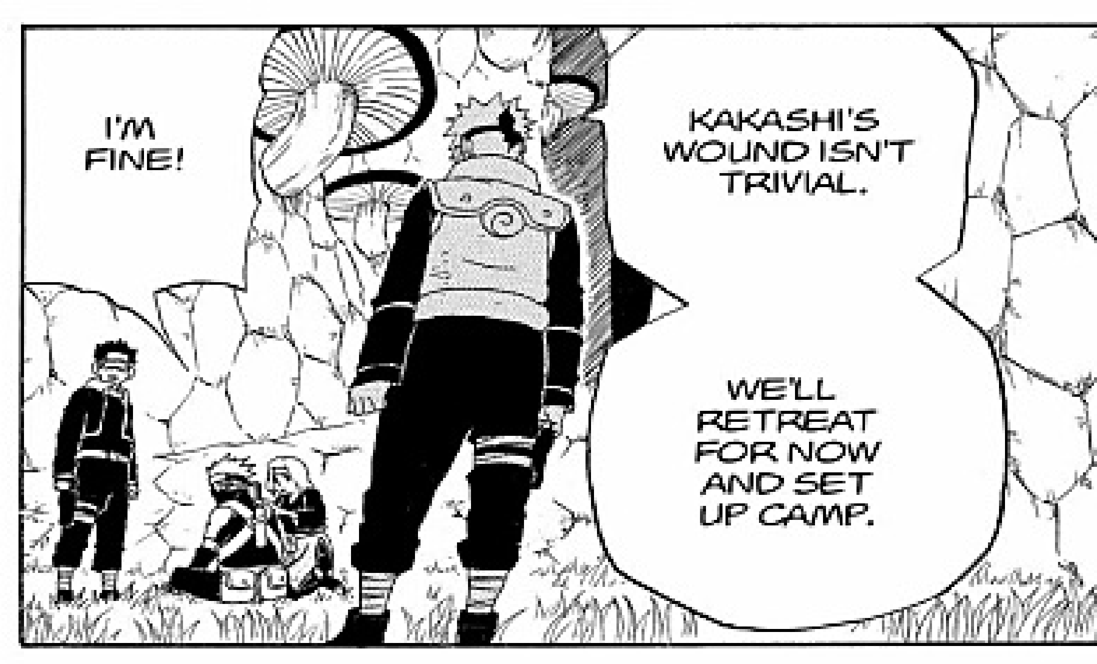






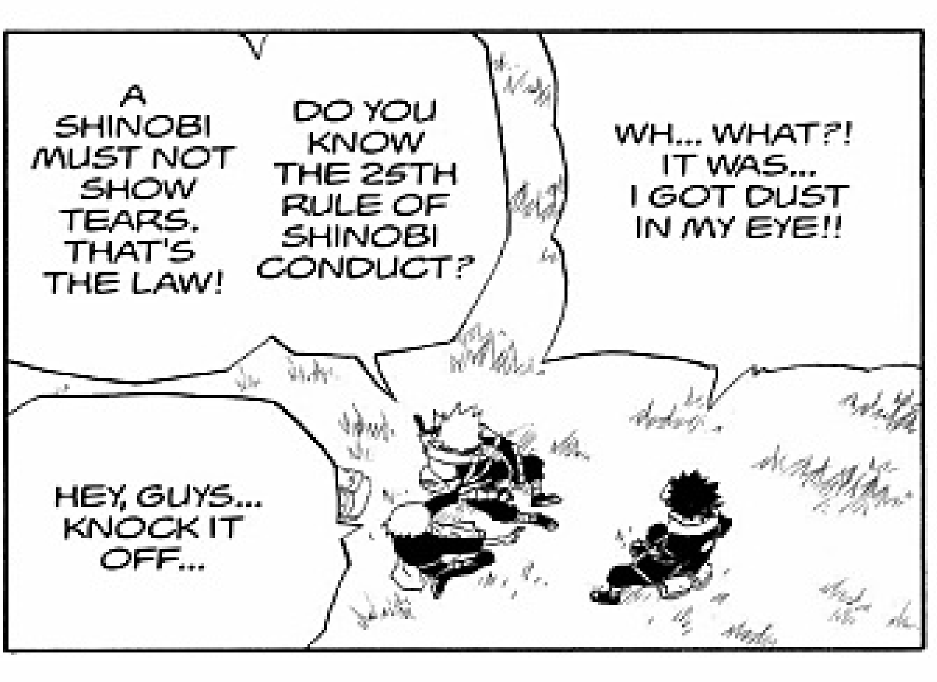


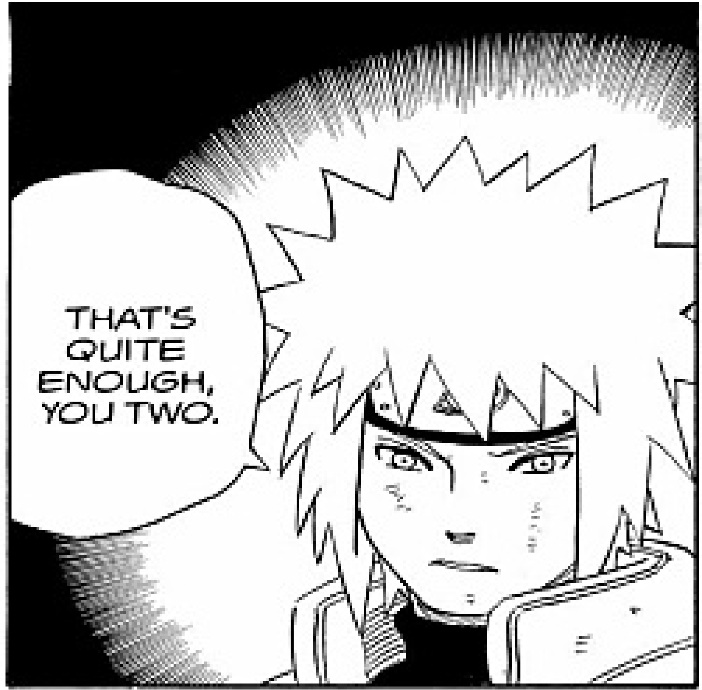

VSHHHHHHH
URK...


KAKASHI'S WOUND ISN'T TRIVIAL.
WE'LL RETREAT FOR NOW AND SET UP CAMP.
I'M FINE!


WHAT'S SO FINE ABOUT IT!
IT'S YOUR FAULT FOR IGNORING THE MASTER AND ACTING RECKLESS!


I TOLD YOU NOT TO TALK TO ME THAT WAY.
SURELY NOT YOU, THE SPINELESS CRYBABY OF THE ELITE UCHIHA!


WH... WHAT?! IT WAS... I GOT DUST IN MY EYE!!
DO YOU KNOW THE 25TH RULE OF SHINOBI CONDUCT?
A SHINOBI MUST NOT SHOW TEARS. THAT'S THE LAW!
HEY, GUYS... KNOCK IT OFF...


THAT'S QUITE ENOUGH, YOU TWO.


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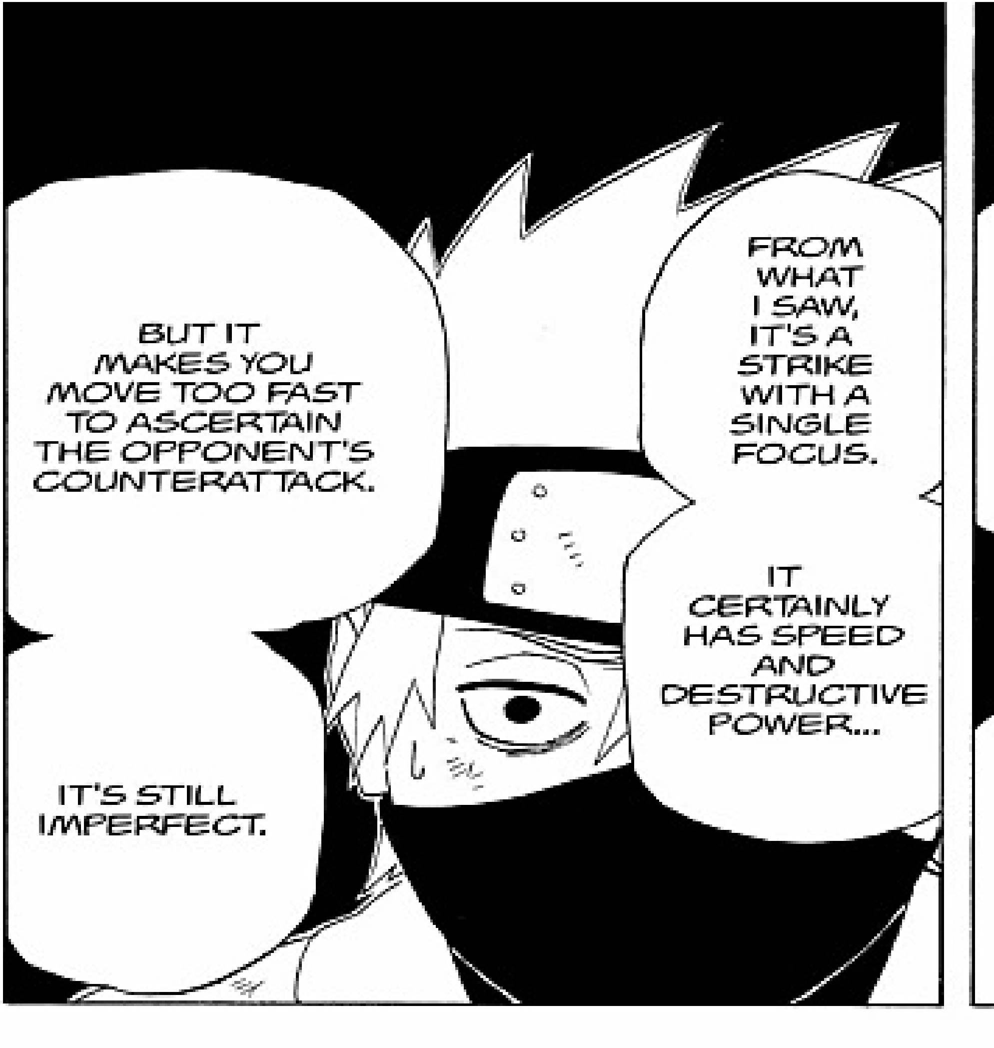

KAKASHI... RULES AND REGULATIONS ARE CERTAINLY IMPORTANT.
BUT THEY'RE NOT EVERYTHING.
REMEMBER HOW I TOLD YOU...
AT TIMES YOU MUST ADAPT, AND TAKE STEPS APPROPRIATE TO THE SITUATION AT HAND.

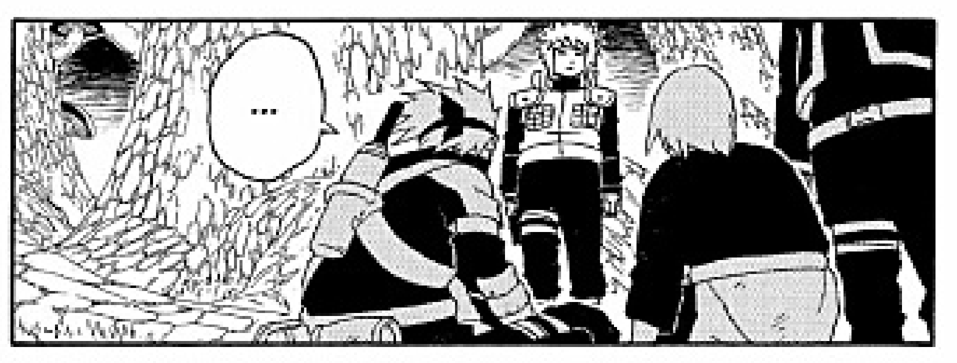

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SEE! LISTEN UP!
AS FOR YOU, OBITO...


DUST CAN'T GET IN YOUR EYES WHEN YOU'RE WEARING GOGGLES.
IT'S FINE TO SPEAK OF SELF-CONTROL, BUT YOU MUST BE STRONG AT HEART, NOT JUST IN WORDS.


AND ONE MORE THING... KAKASHI.
ABOUT THAT NEW JUTSU OF YOURS.
YOU SHOULDN'T USE IT ANYMORE.


FROM WHAT I SAW, IT'S A STRIKE WITH A SINGLE FOCUS.
IT CERTAINLY HAS SPEED AND DESTRUCTIVE POWER...
BUT IT MAKES YOU MOVE TOO FAST TO ASCERTAIN THE OPPONENT'S COUNTERATTACK.
IT'S STILL IMPERFECT.

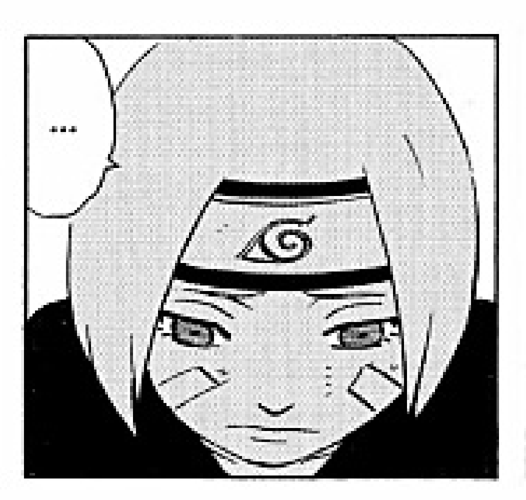

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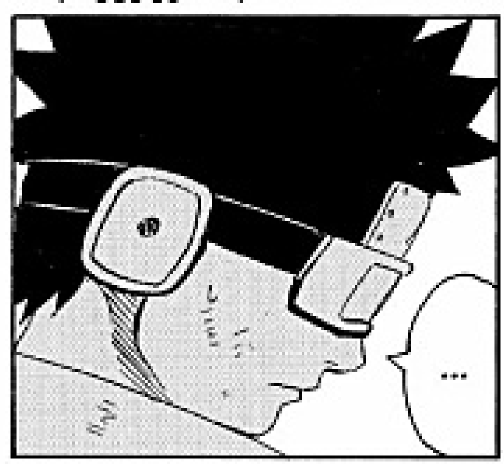

BEFORE WE PART... LET ME SAY THIS ONCE MORE.


FOR SHINOBI, THE ONE THING IMPORTANT ABOVE ALL ELSE IS TEAMWORK.


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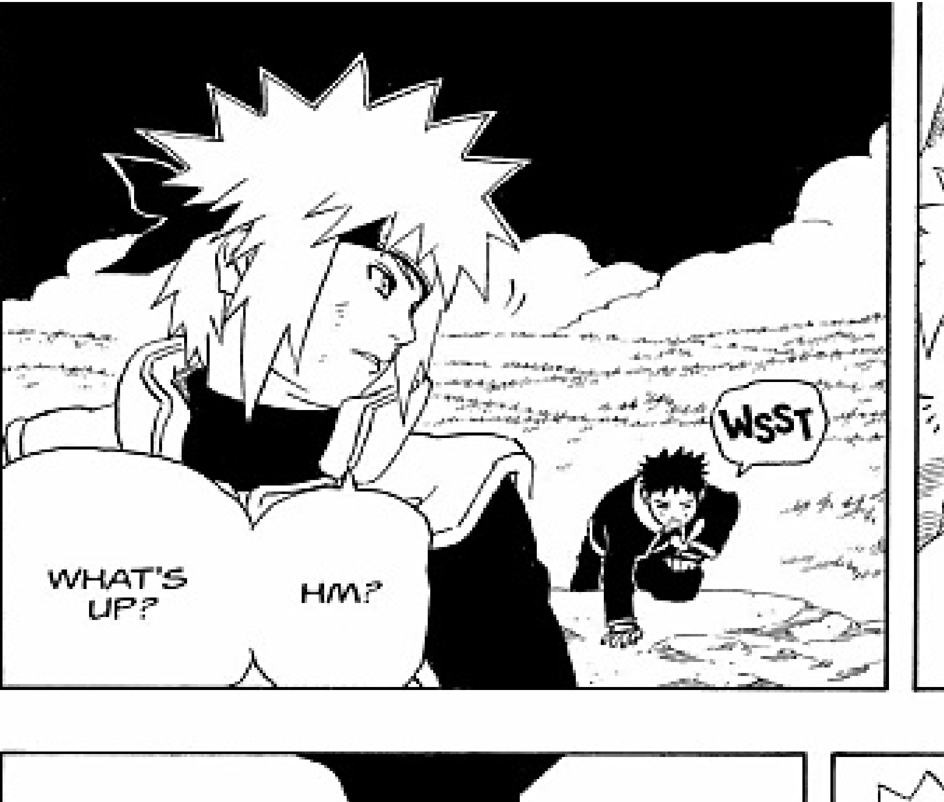

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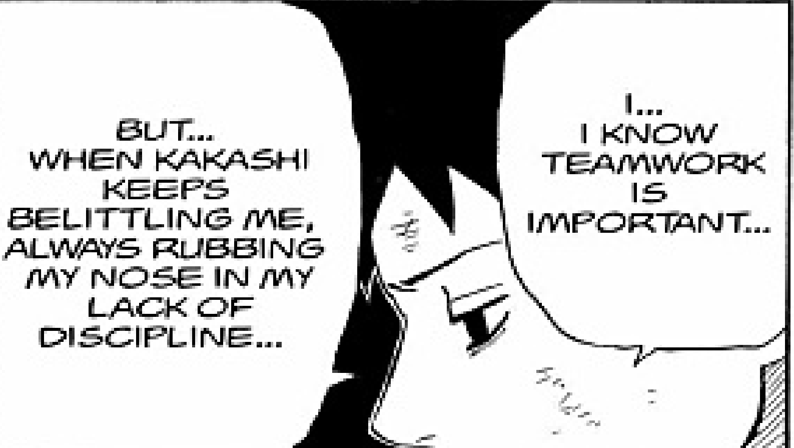

NOW...
LET'S GET GOING...











ERR... NO. WHAT I MEAN IS, I MIGHT BE BORN INTO THE ELITE UCHIHA CLAN...

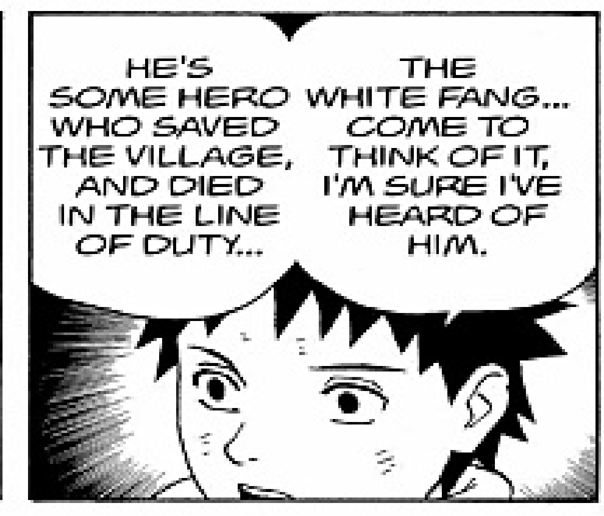
BUT I'M JUST A WASHOUT...

I KNOW THAT KAKASHI IS AN AWESOME GUY. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, BUT...

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WELL...

KAKASHI'S FATHER IS SAKUMO, THE GENIUS NINJA FEARED AS THE WHITE FANG OF KONOHA.
IN HIS TIME, THE "THREE GREAT SHINOBI" OF KONOHA LEGEND PALED BESIDE HIM.
GROWING UP BESIDE A MAN LIKE THAT...
IT'S HARDLY A SURPRISE THAT KAKASHI'S STANDARDS FOR OTHERS ARE UNNATURALLY HIGH.









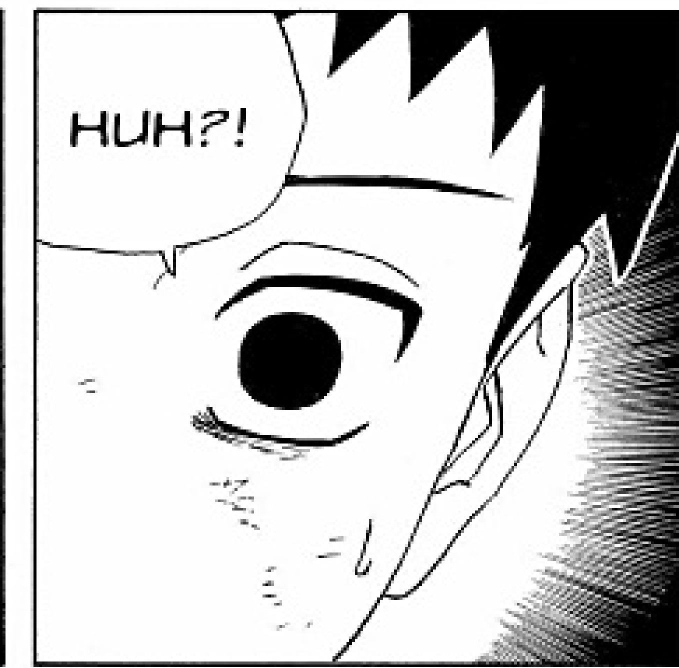


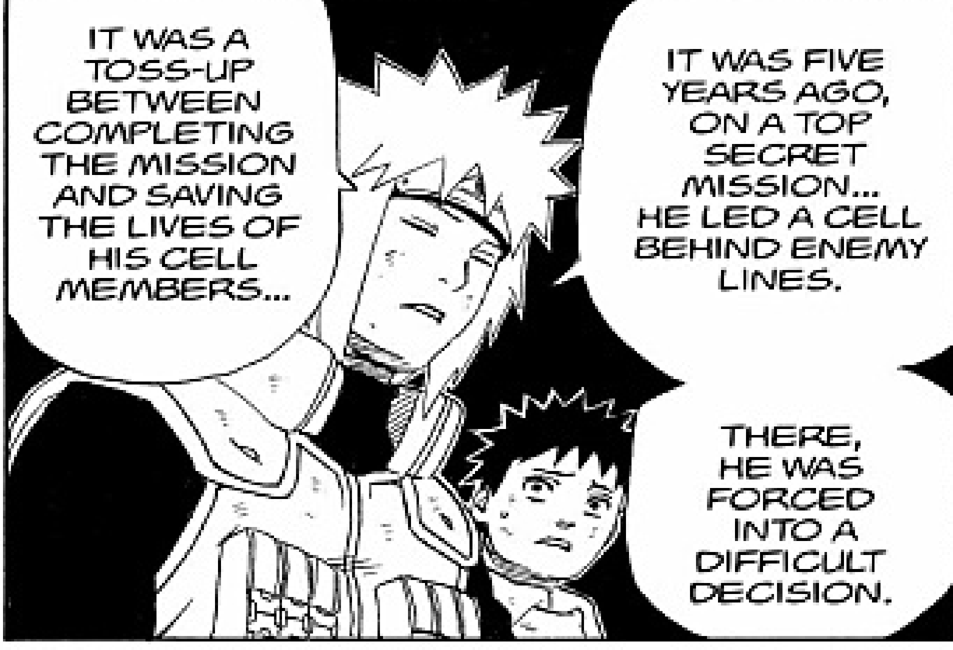


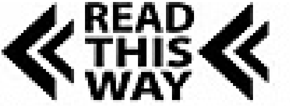

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WHAT HAPPENED?


MAYBE IT'S NOT MY PLACE TO TELL YOU THE STORY...
BUT SINCE YOU'RE KAKASHI'S TEAMMATE, I WANT YOU TO KNOW.

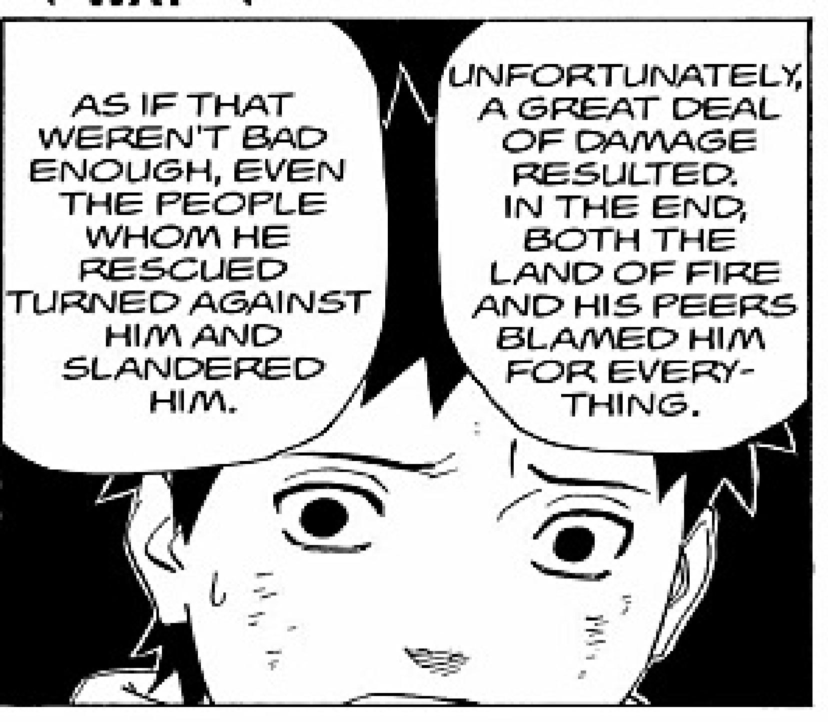

KAKASHI'S FATHER WAS VILIFIED...
AND IN THE END, HE TOOK HIS OWN LIFE.


HUH?!

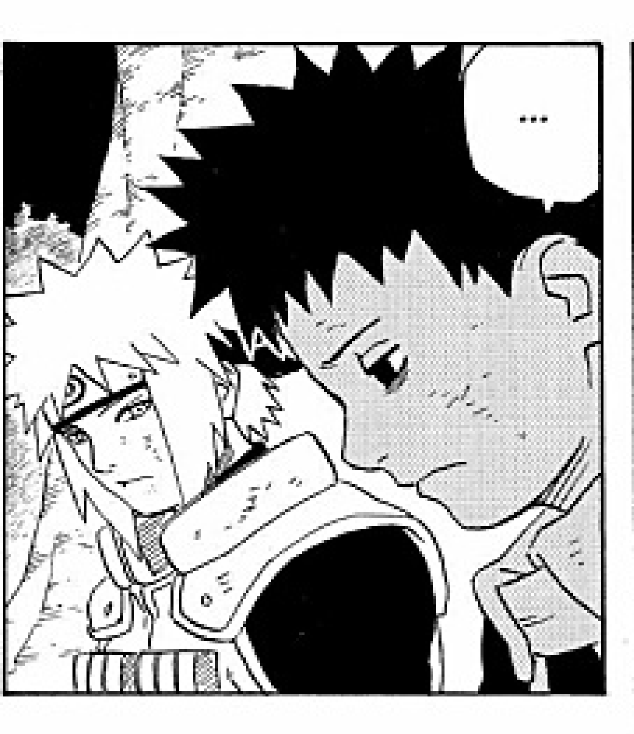

IT WAS FIVE YEARS AGO, ON A TOP SECRET MISSION... HE LED A CELL BEHIND ENEMY LINES.
THERE, HE WAS FORCED INTO A DIFFICULT DECISION.
IT WAS A TOSS-UP BETWEEN COMPLETING THE MISSION AND SAVING THE LIVES OF HIS CELL MEMBERS...

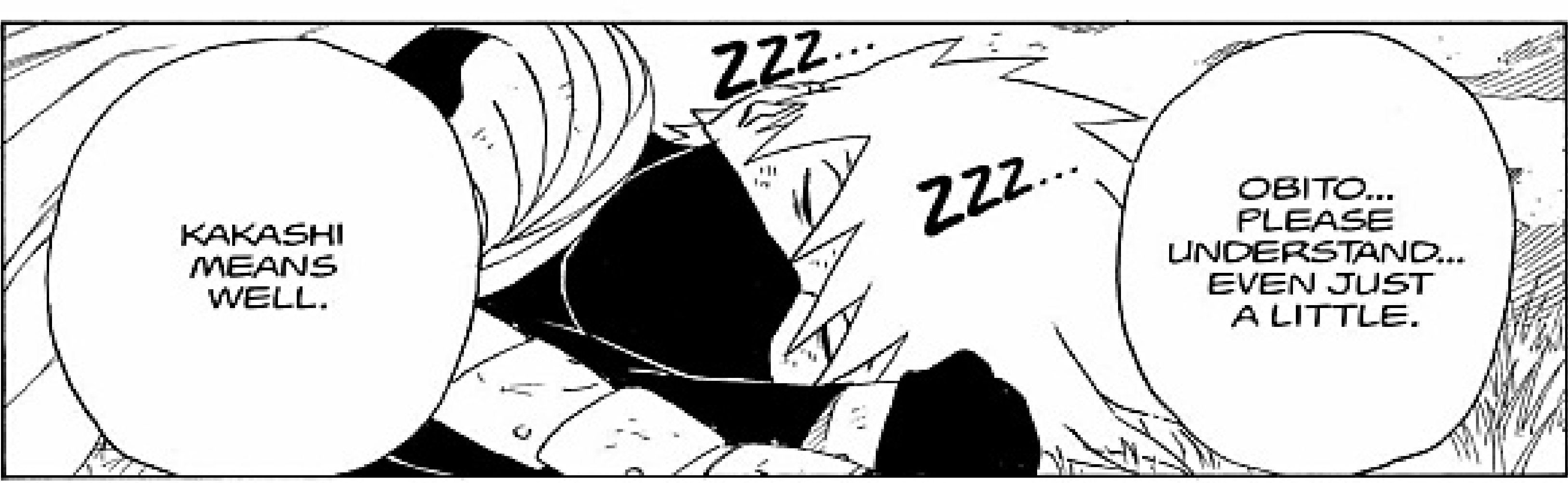

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OBVIOUSLY, IT'S AGAINST THE LAW OF OUR VILLAGE TO ABANDON ANY MISSION...
BUT HE PUT HIS COMRADES ABOVE THE TASK AT HAND.


UNFORTUNATELY, A GREAT DEAL OF DAMAGE RESULTED. IN THE END, BOTH THE LAND OF FIRE AND HIS PEERS BLAMED HIM FOR EVERY-THING.
AS IF THAT WEREN'T BAD ENOUGH, EVEN THE PEOPLE WHOM HE RESCUED TURNED AGAINST HIM AND SLANDERED HIM.


THE WHOLE ORDEAL CAUSED HIS BODY AND SOUL TO DETERIORATE, AND SAKUMO TOOK HIS LIFE...
SINCE THAT DAY, KAKASHI HAS NEVER SPOKEN OF HIS FATHER...
...AND HAS DEVOTED HIMSELF TO THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE VILLAGE.


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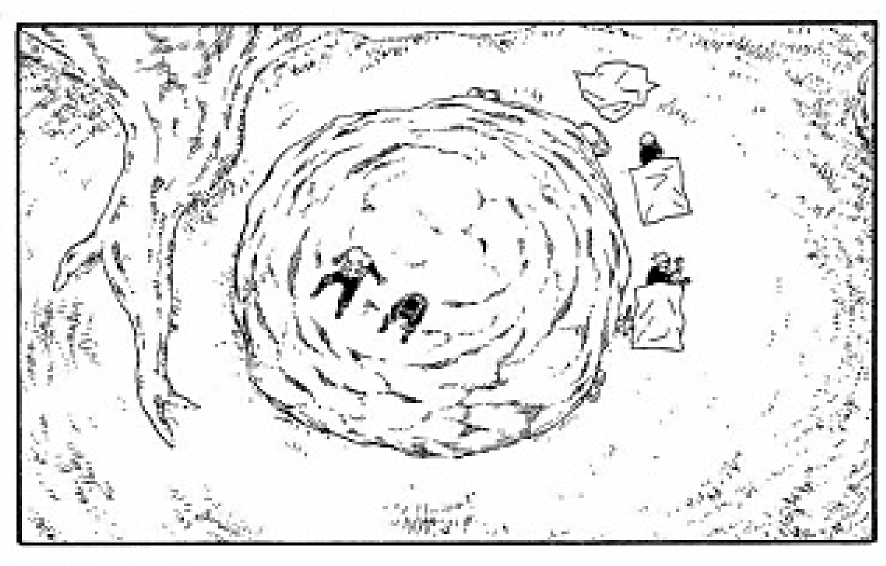

OBITO... PLEASE UNDERSTAND... EVEN JUST A LITTLE.
ZZZ...
ZZZ...
KAKASHI MEANS WELL.

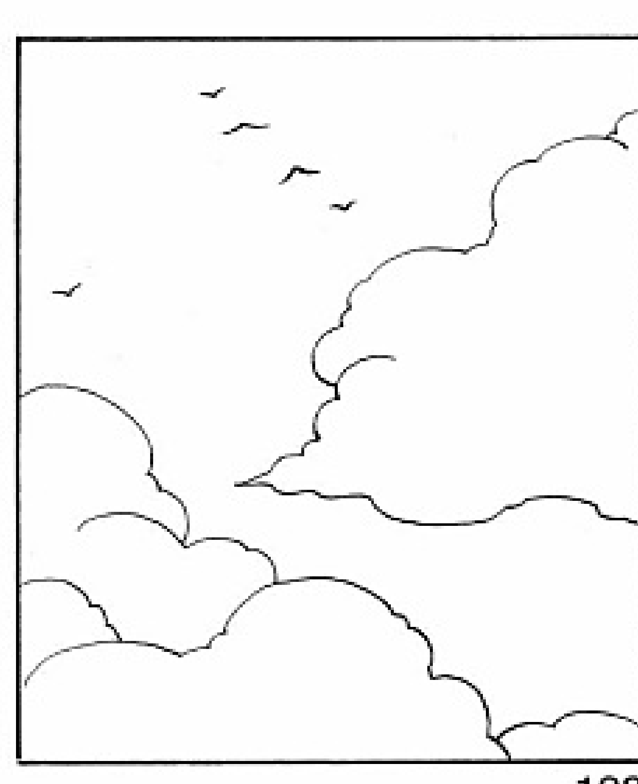

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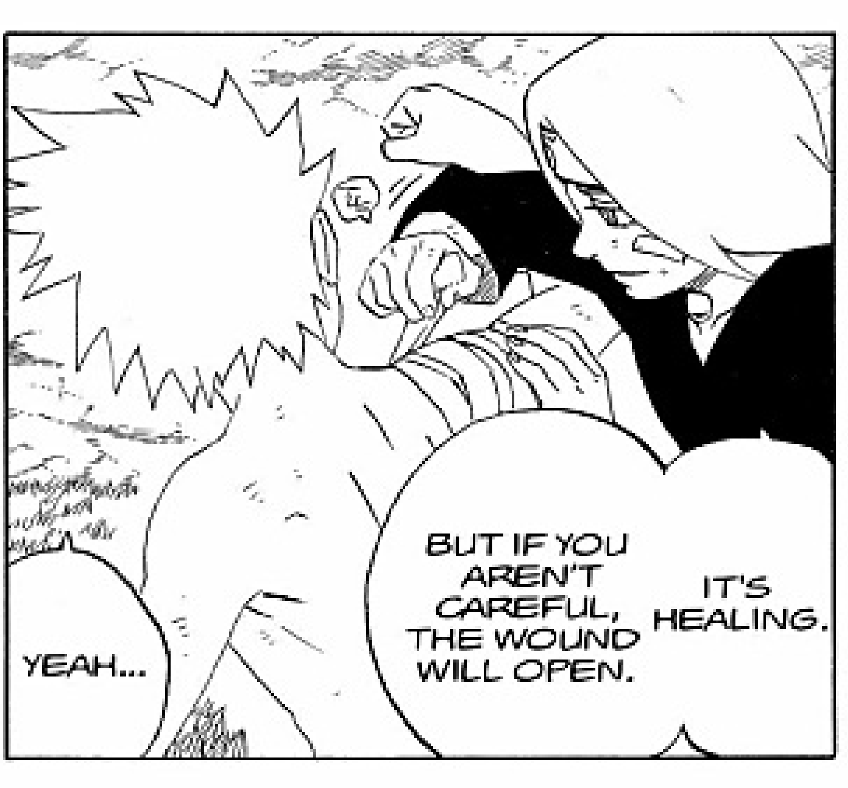

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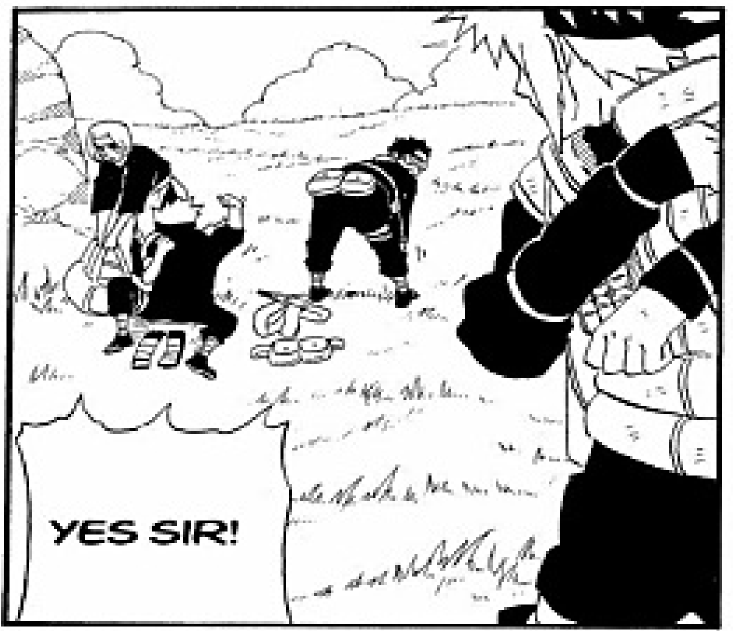





IT'S HEALING.
BUT IF YOU AREN'T CAREFUL, THE WOUND WILL OPEN.
YEAH...



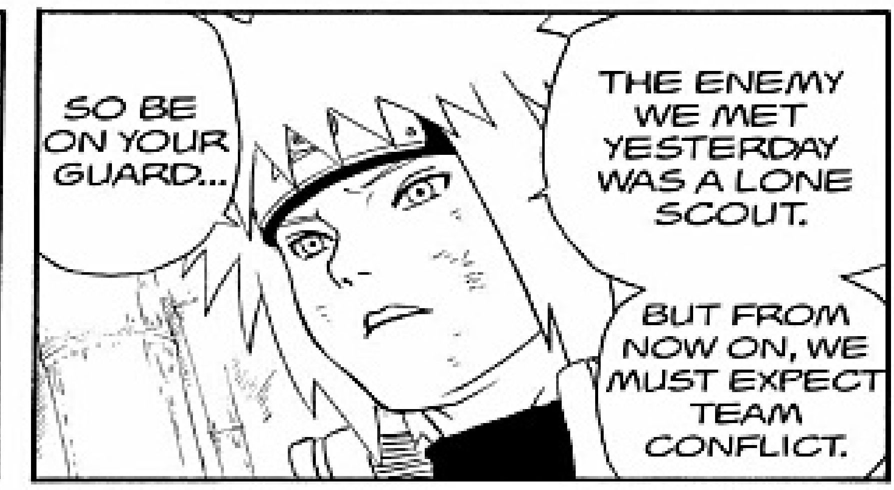






WE'LL DIVIDE HERE.

DO YOUR BEST, ALL OF YOU.

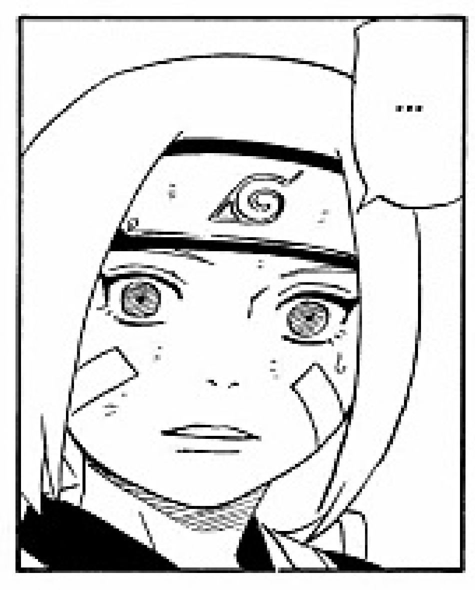


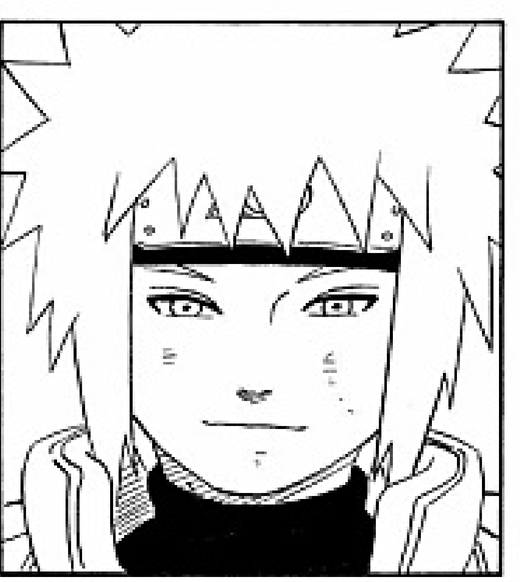



LET'S GO THEN... LEADER.
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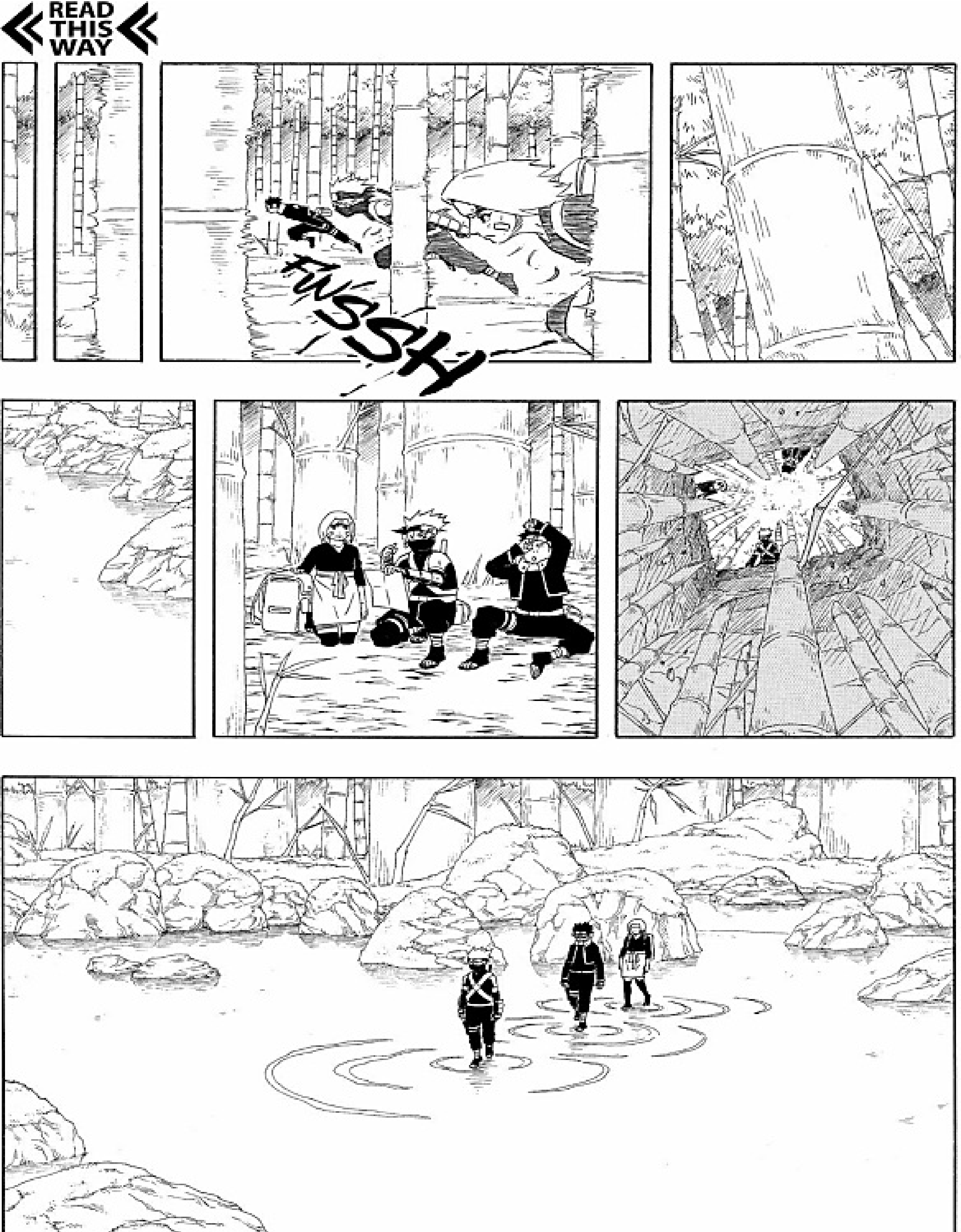

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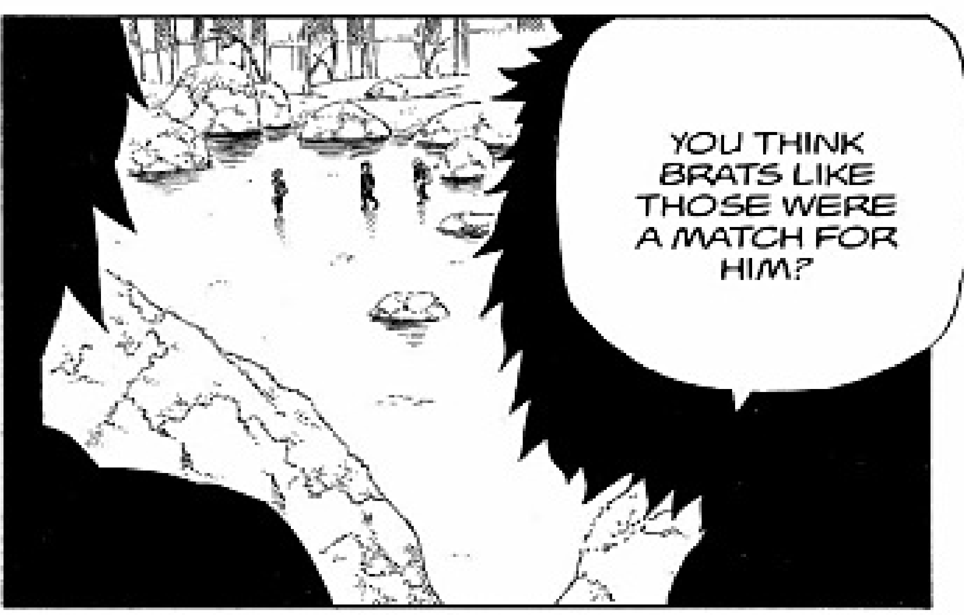

ALL RIGHT... READY?!
SST
YES SIR!!


SCATTER!!
SHHK
SHHK

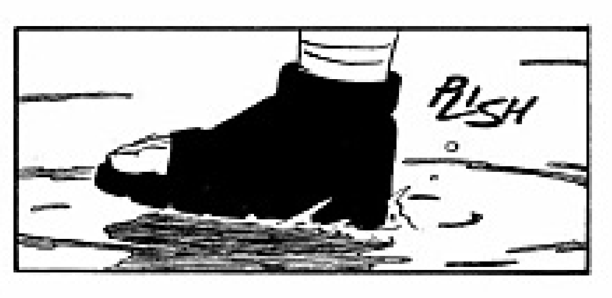

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FWSSH

HEY... YOU KNOW, MAHIRU HASN'T RETURNED SINCE HE WENT OFF TO SCOUT...









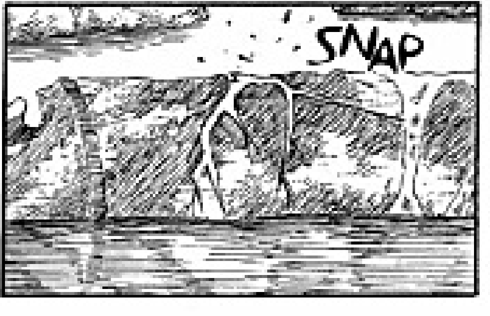




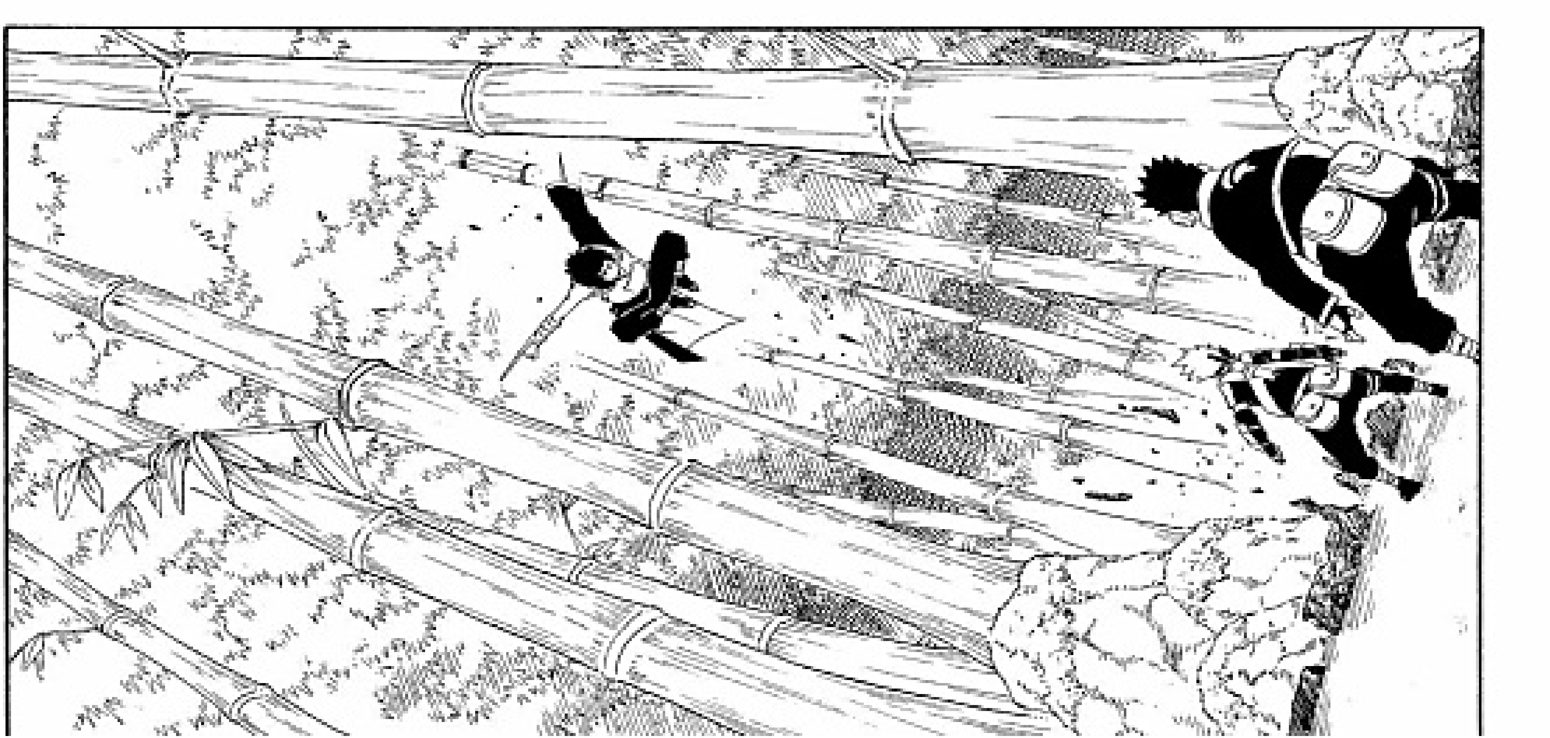
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FIRE STYLE!
FIREBALL TECHNIQUE!!
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SWWOOO







CHING

CHING

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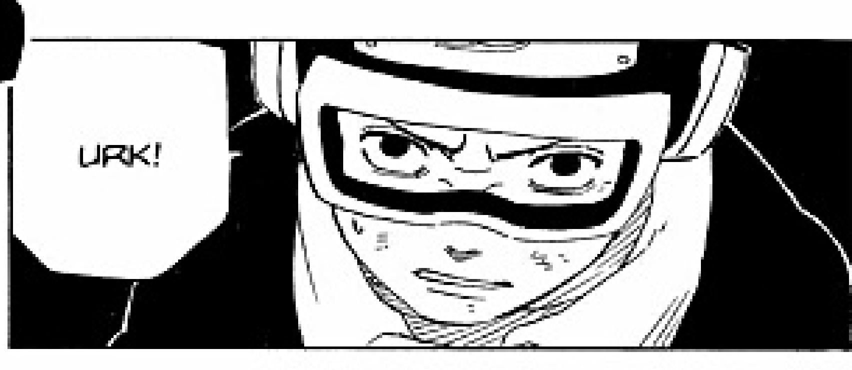






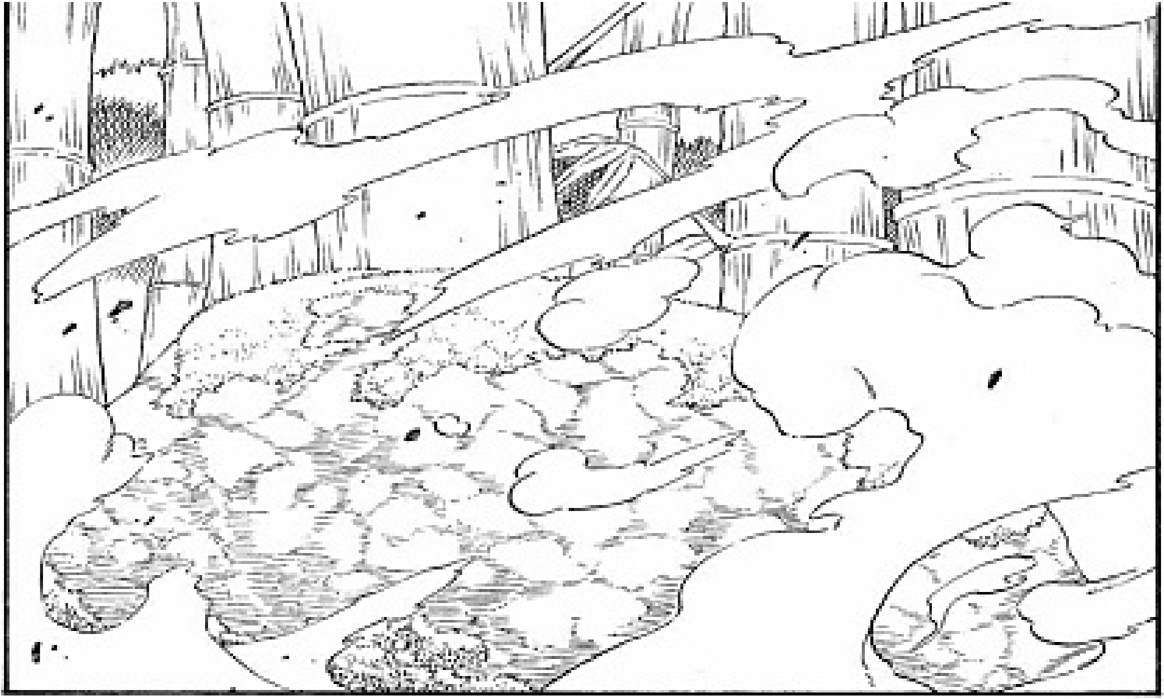
SHHK

SHE HAS FOUND A NEW MASTER.

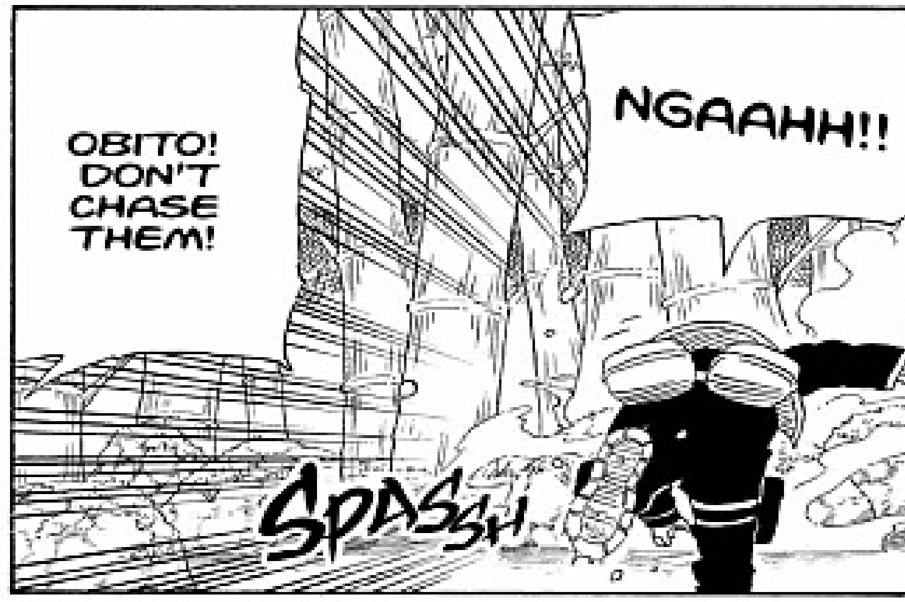






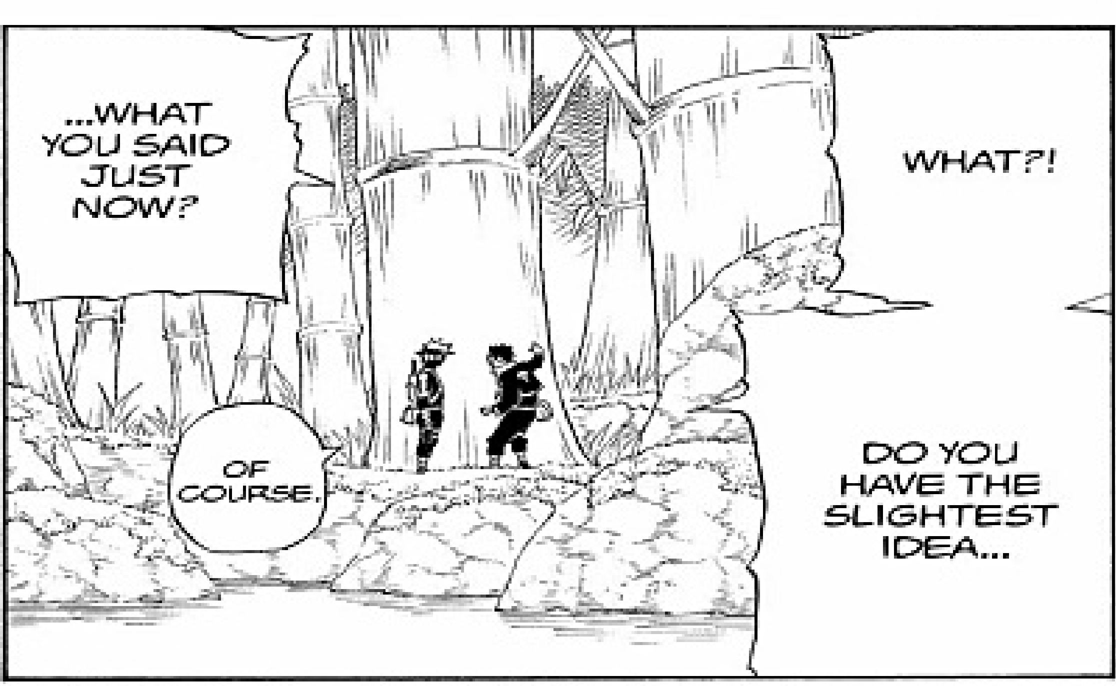



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NGAAHH!!
OBITO! DON'T CHASE THEM!
SPASSH

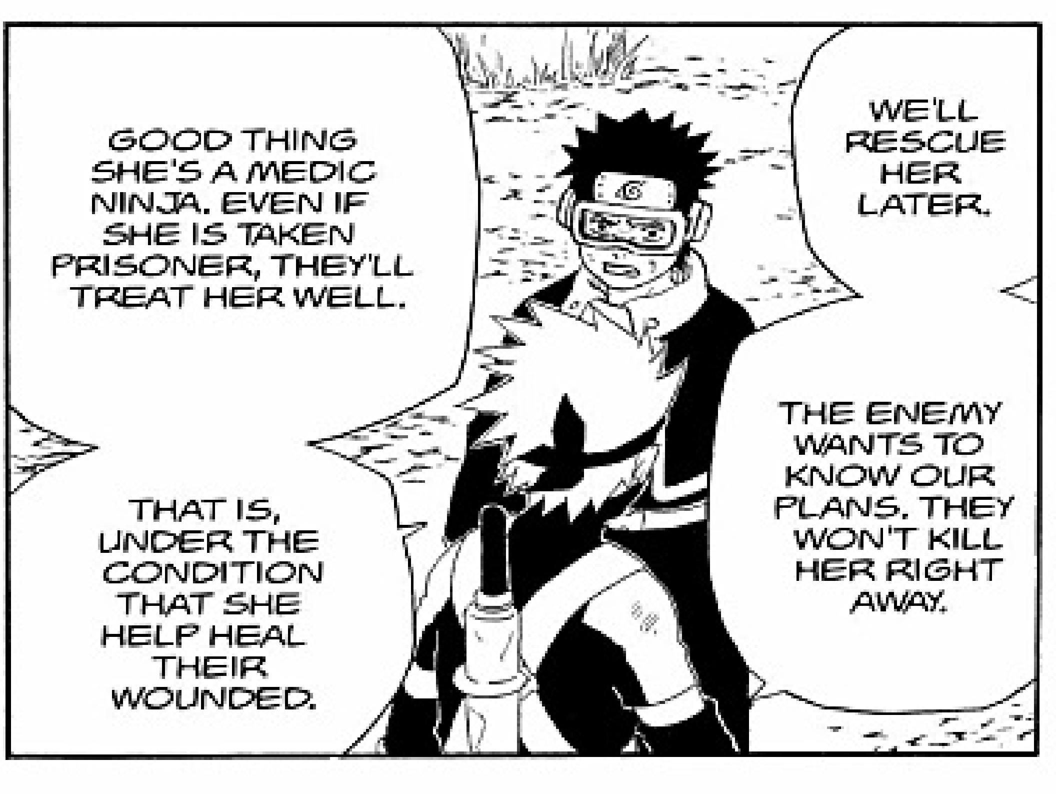

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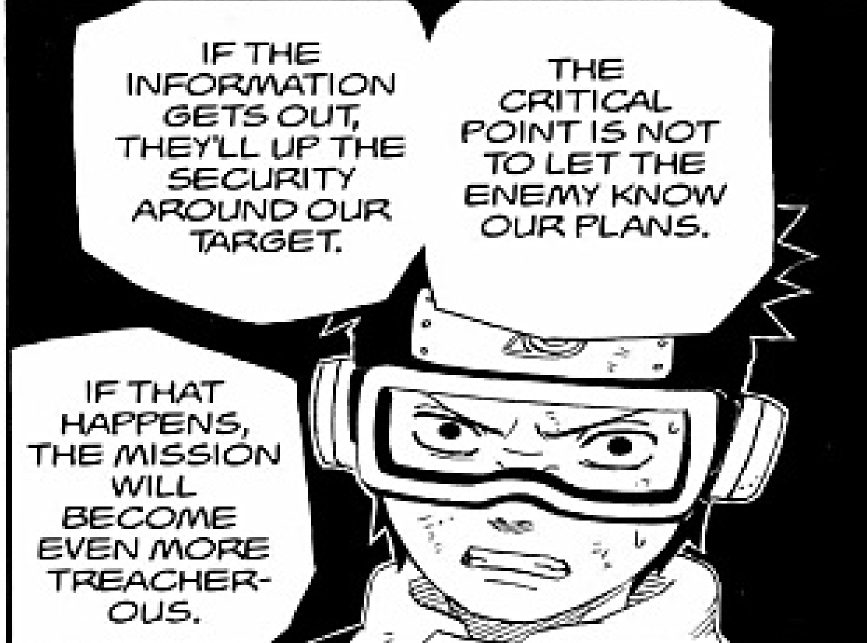



WHAT?!
DO YOU HAVE THE SLIGHTEST IDEA...
...WHAT YOU SAID JUST NOW?
OF COURSE.

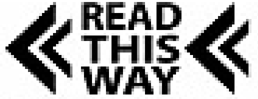

FROM HERE ON, THE TWO OF US WILL PROCEED WITH OUR MISSION.

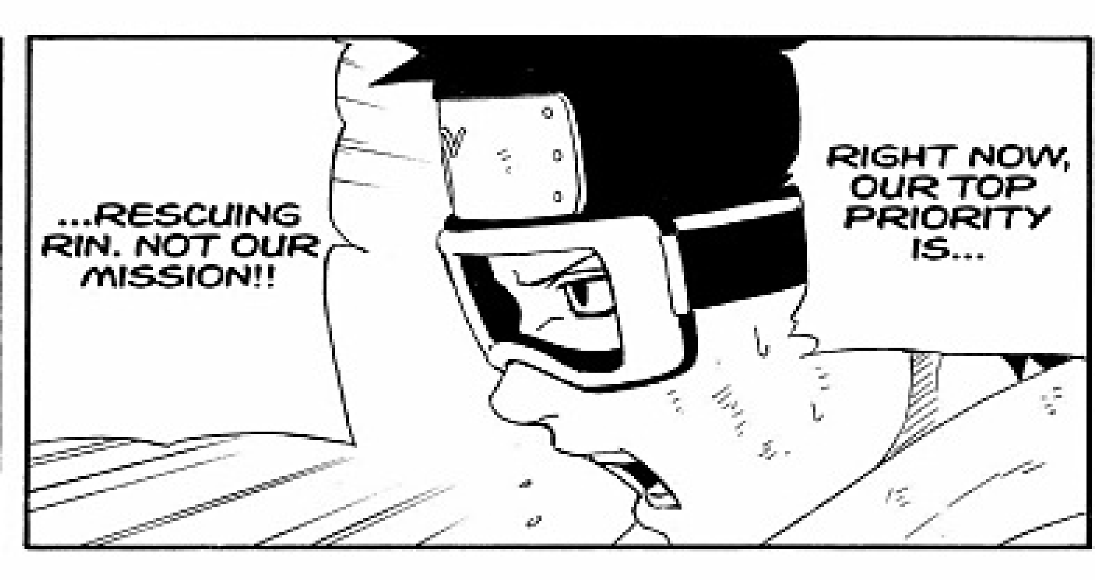

WHAT... WHAT ABOUT RIN?!!


WE'LL RESCUE HER LATER.
THE ENEMY WANTS TO KNOW OUR PLANS. THEY WON'T KILL HER RIGHT AWAY.
GOOD THING SHE'S A MEDIC NINJA. EVEN IF SHE IS TAKEN PRISONER, THEY'LL TREAT HER WELL.
THAT IS, UNDER THE CONDITION THAT SHE HELP HEAL THEIR WOUNDED.


THE CRITICAL POINT IS NOT TO LET THE ENEMY KNOW OUR PLANS.
IF THE INFORMATION GETS OUT, THEY'LL UP THE SECURITY AROUND OUR TARGET.
IF THAT HAPPENS, THE MISSION WILL BECOME EVEN MORE TREACHER-OUS.


YOU SAY SHE'LL BE ALL RIGHT, BUT YOU'RE JUST GUESSING!
WHAT IF THE THUGS THAT GRABBED HER ARE JUST BRAINLESS FLUNKIES?!


READ THIS WAY


RIGHT NOW, OUR TOP PRIORITY IS...
...RESCUING RIN. NOT OUR MISSION!!


...


IF WE ARE SHINOBI... WE MUST CARRY OUT OUR MISSION EVEN AT THE EXPENSE OF OUR COMRADES.
THAT'S THE LAW.
IF WE FAIL, THE WAR WILL DRAG ON...
WHICH MAY COST US EVEN MORE LIVES.


THERE YOU ARE, GUESS-ING AGAIN!
WE RISKED OUR LIVES TOGETHER!
ARE YOU WILLING TO DESERT HER FOR A MERE HYPO-THESIS?!!

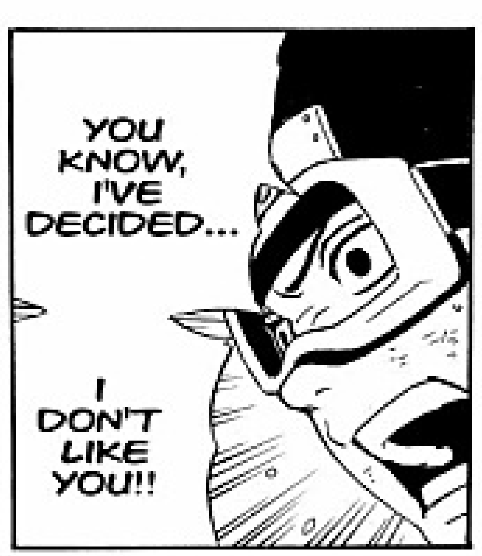

EVERY TIME WE WERE WOUNDED, RIN SAVED OUR LIVES WITH HER MEDICAL NINJUTSU.
WITHOUT HER, WE WOULD'VE BEEN DEAD LONG AGO!!


OF COURSE... IT WAS HER JOB.

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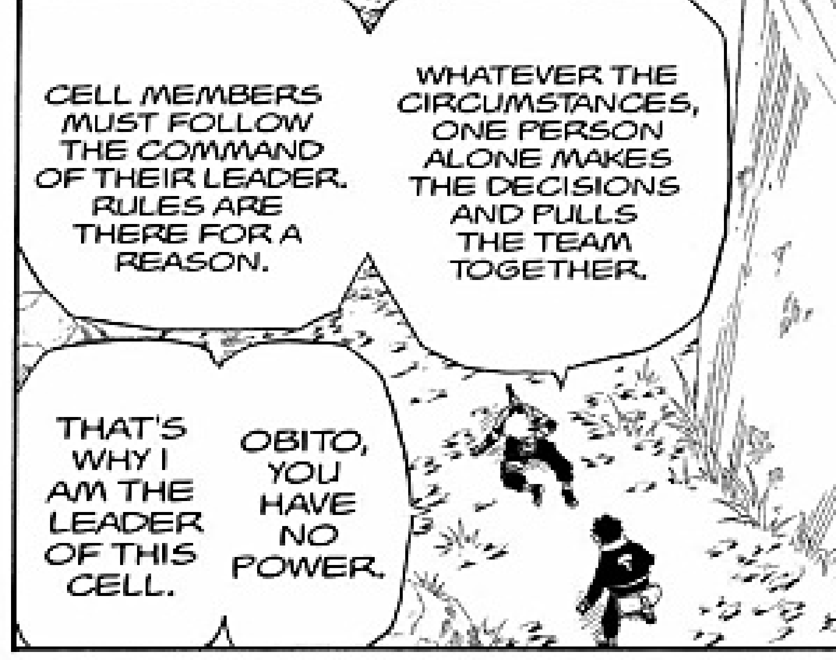
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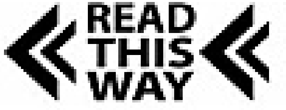

YOU STILL HAVE TO OBEY MY ORDERS.
...
WHETHER YOU LIKE ME OR NOT, I AM THE LEADER.


YOU KNOW, I'VE DECIDED...
I DON'T LIKE YOU!!


...
THOMP

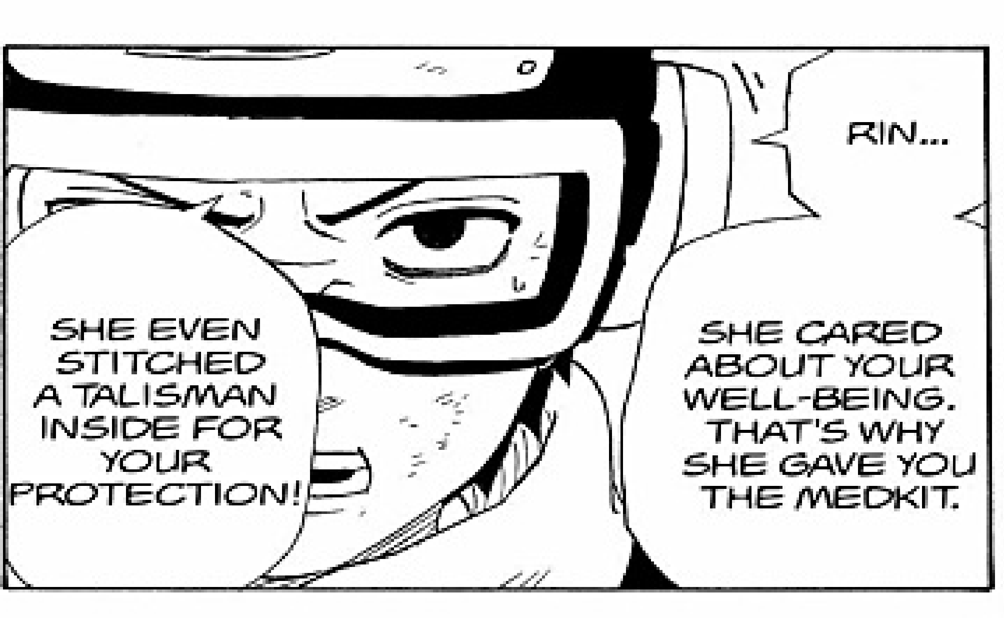

IF YOU HAVE THE POWER TO RESCUE HER, WHY DON'T YOU?!
THEN LEAD! RIN NEEDS OUR HELP!!
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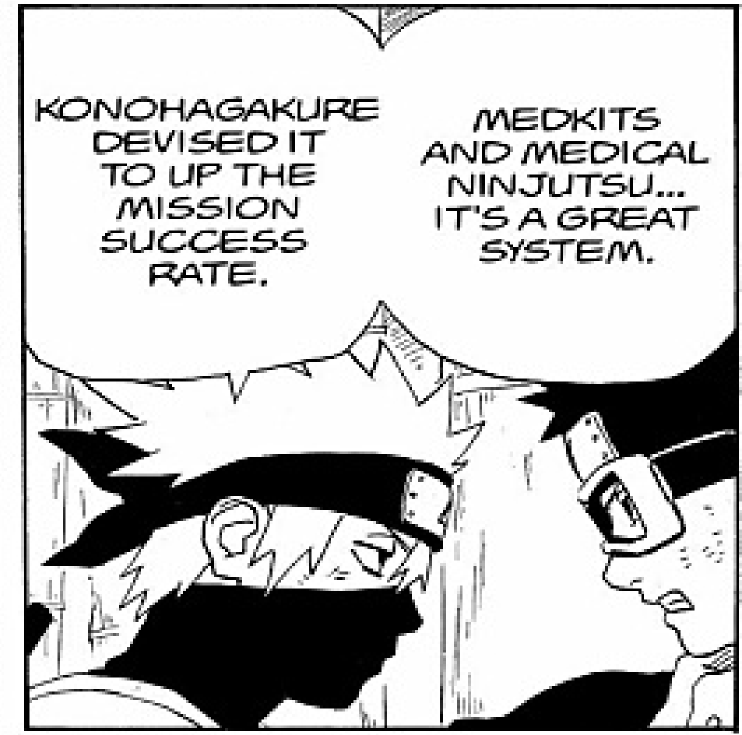

CELL MEMBERS MUST FOLLOW THE COMMAND OF THEIR LEADER. RULES ARE THERE FOR A REASON.
WHATEVER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, ONE PERSON ALONE MAKES THE DECISIONS AND PULLS THE TEAM TOGETHER.
OBITO, YOU HAVE NO POWER.
THAT'S WHY I AM THE LEADER OF THIS CELL.


READ THIS WAY


IF YOU GIVE IN TO YOUR FLEETING EMOTIONS, AND FAIL AN IMPORTANT MISSION...
YOU'LL REGRET IT LATER.
THAT'S WHY SHINOBI HAVE SET RULES ABOUT SUPPRESSING OUR FEELINGS.
YOU MUST KNOW THAT AS WELL.


...


RIN...
SHE CARED ABOUT YOUR WELL-BEING. THAT'S WHY SHE GAVE YOU THE MEDKIT.
SHE EVEN STITCHED A TALISMAN INSIDE FOR YOUR PROTECTION!


MEDKITS AND MEDICAL NINJUTSU... IT'S A GREAT SYSTEM.
KONOHAGAKURE DEVISED IT TO UP THE MISSION SUCCESS RATE.


BUT LIKE I TOLD YOU YESTERDAY...
BETTER NOTHING, THAN A USELESS BURDEN.


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A SHINOBI NEEDS TOOLS SUITABLE TO THE MISSION AT HAND.

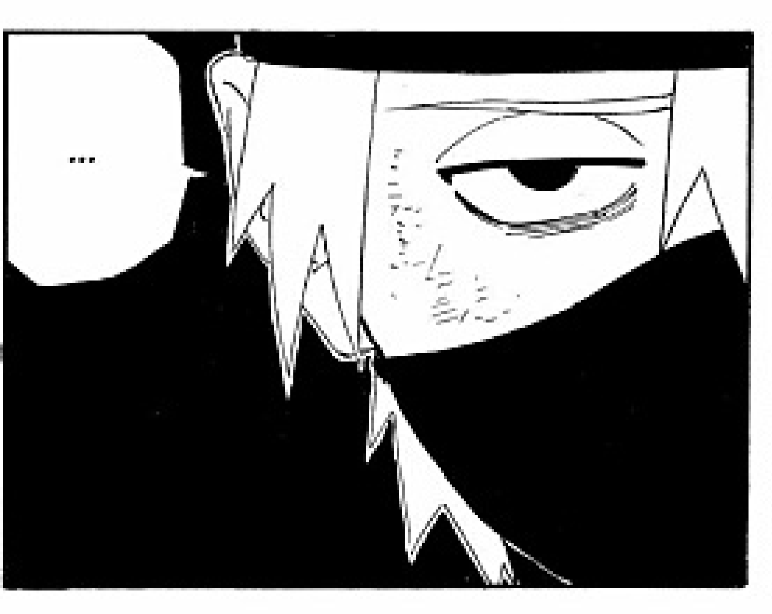
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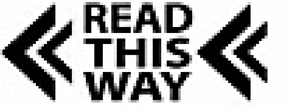










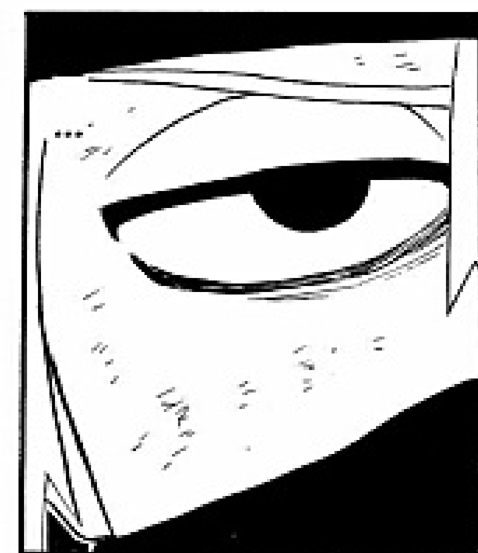

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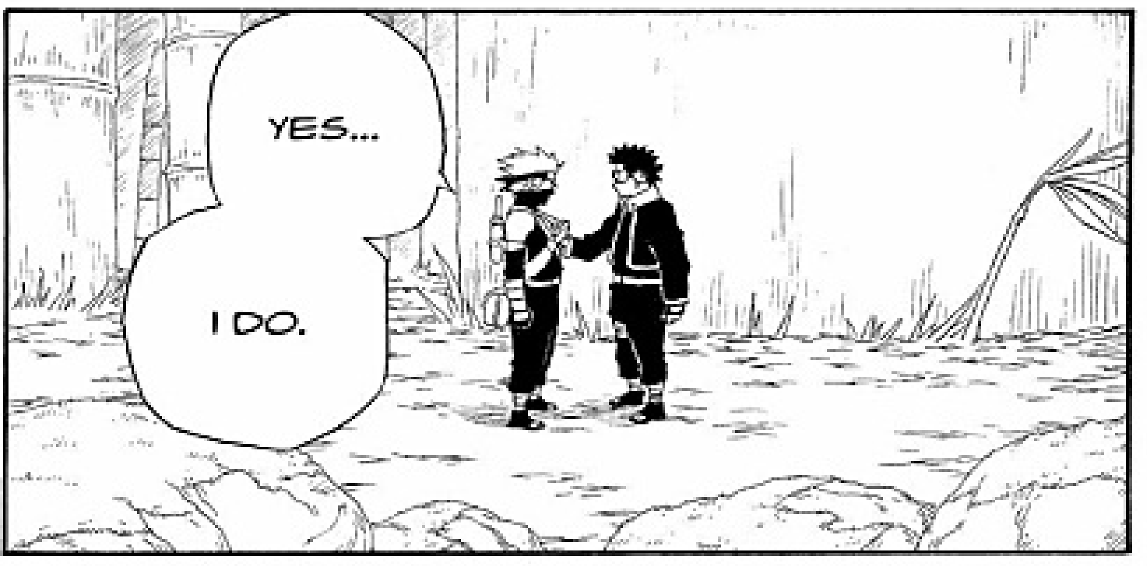

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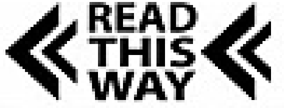


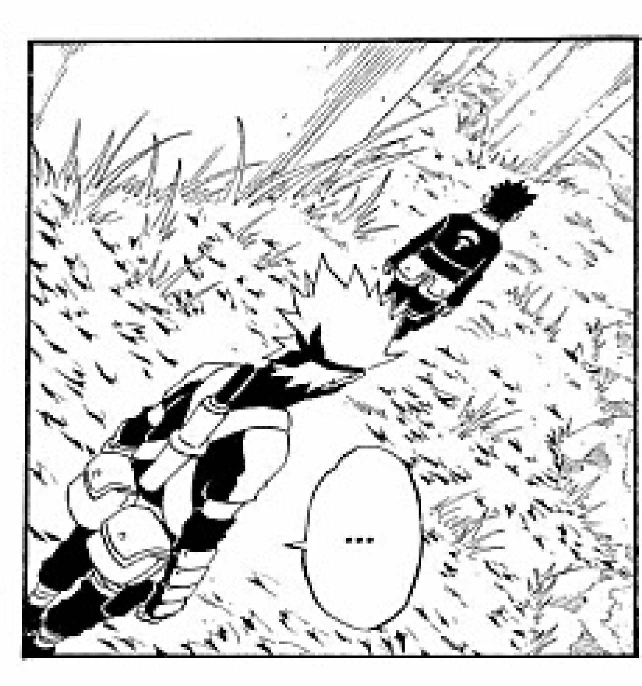

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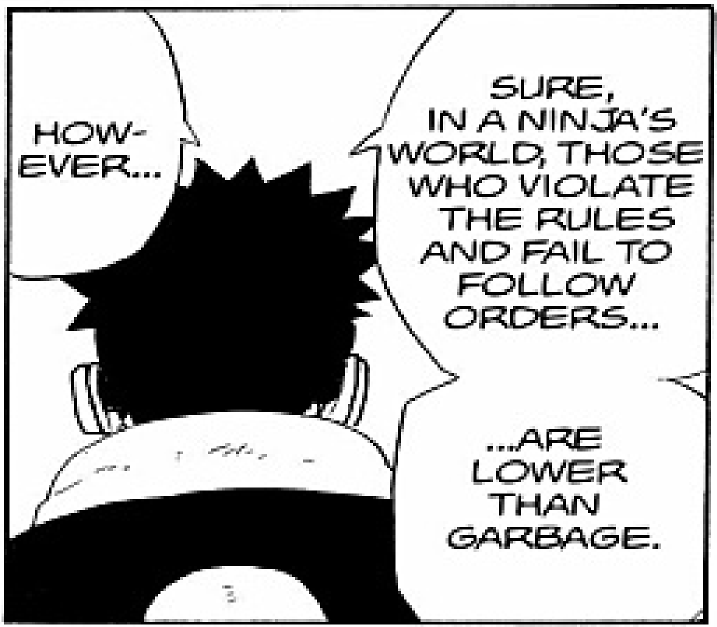

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YES...
I DO.


FINE. YOU AND I WON'T EVER AGREE ANYWAY.
I'M GOING TO SAVE RIN.
SLAPP
WSST
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!
DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS TO PEOPLE WHO BREAK THE RULES?
I DO. AND THAT'S WHY THE WHITE FANG WAS A TRUE HERO.
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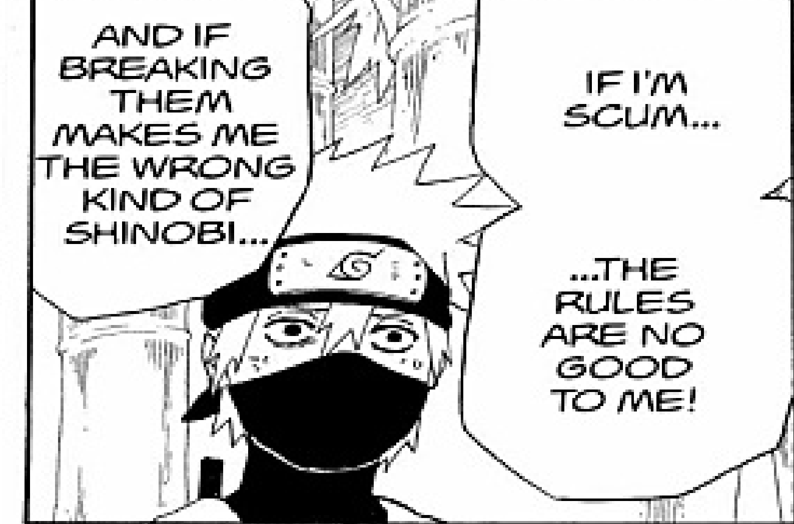






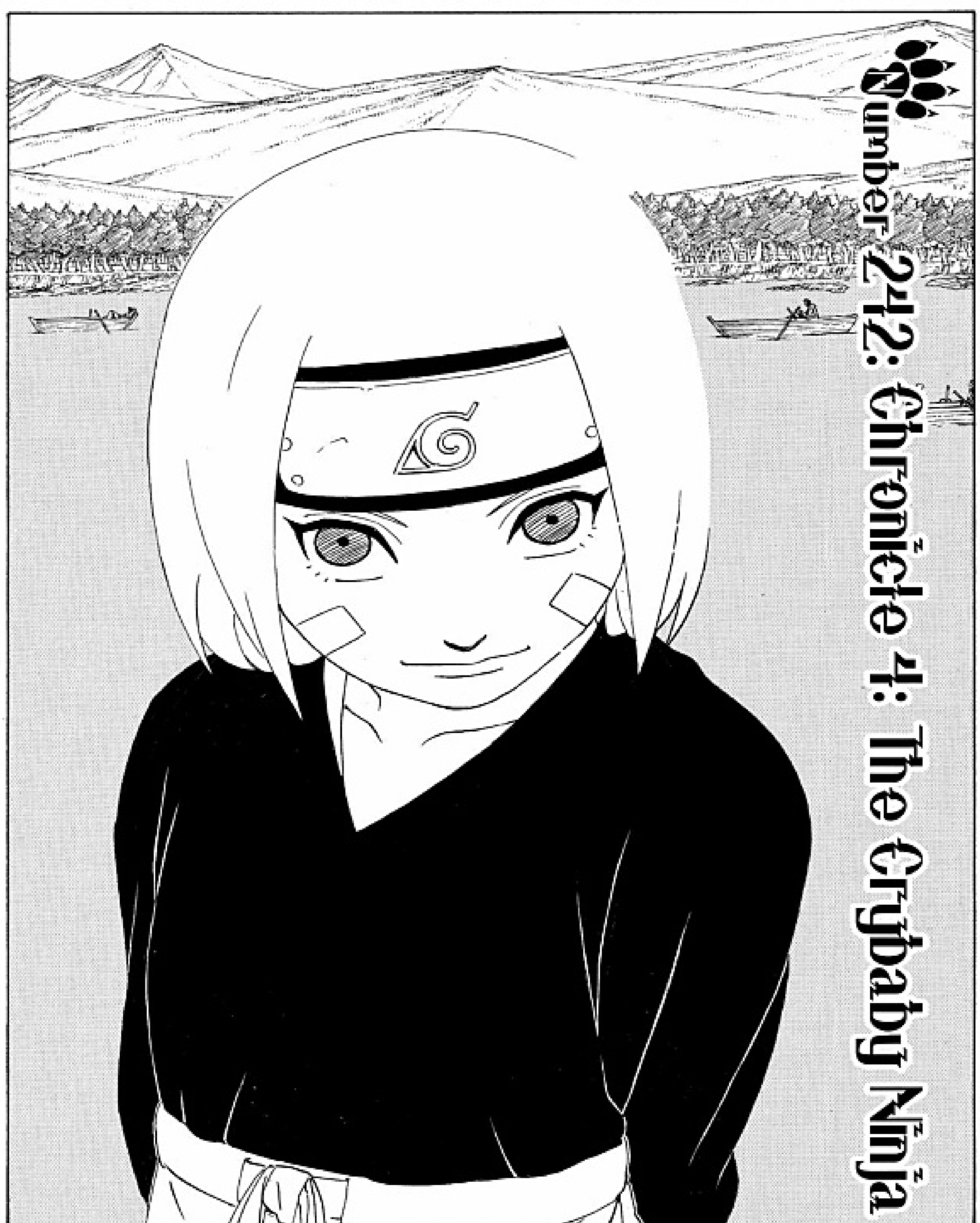
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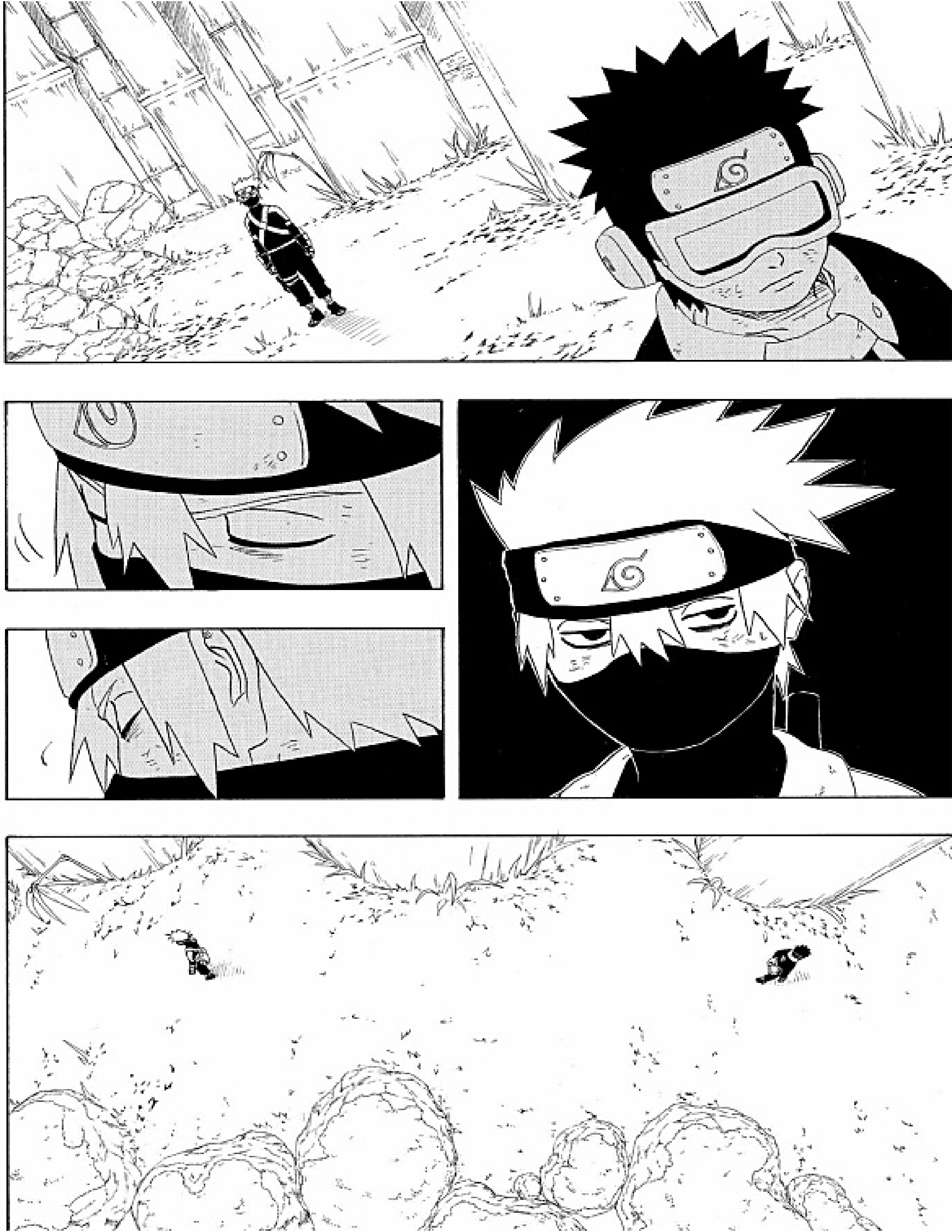
...ARE EVEN LOWER THAN THAT!





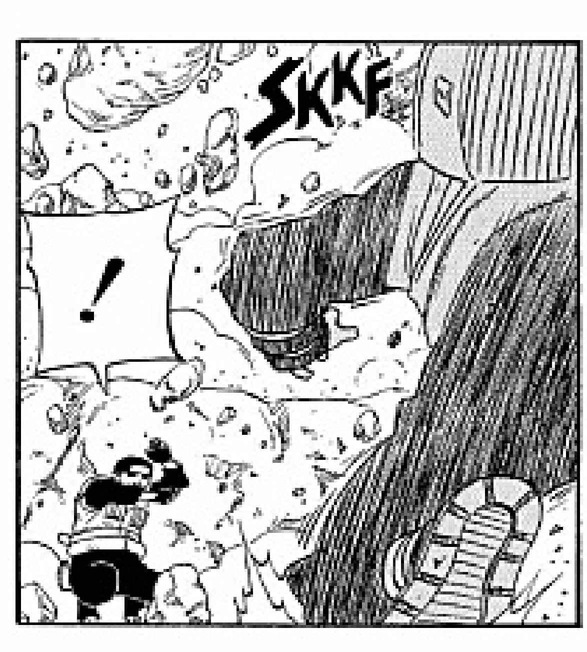

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BLAM
KABLAMM


WHUM WHUM WHUM
UGH!
KRNK
KRNCH


SKKF
!


YOU FINALLY MADE IT!!


WHAT'S THE STATUS?


BY COMPARISON, THE FOUR OF US ARE ALL THAT'S LEFT ON OUR END.
THAT'S CRAZY! NOT EVEN YOU COULD POSSIBLY...
SHUT UP AND DO AS HE SAYS!
WE'LL GET TO SEE HOW THE YELLOW FLASH OF KONOHA FARES IN BATTLE!
JUST DON'T BLINK OR YOU'LL MISS IT.

THERE ARE PROBABLY AT LEAST FIFTY ON THE ENEMY SIDE.

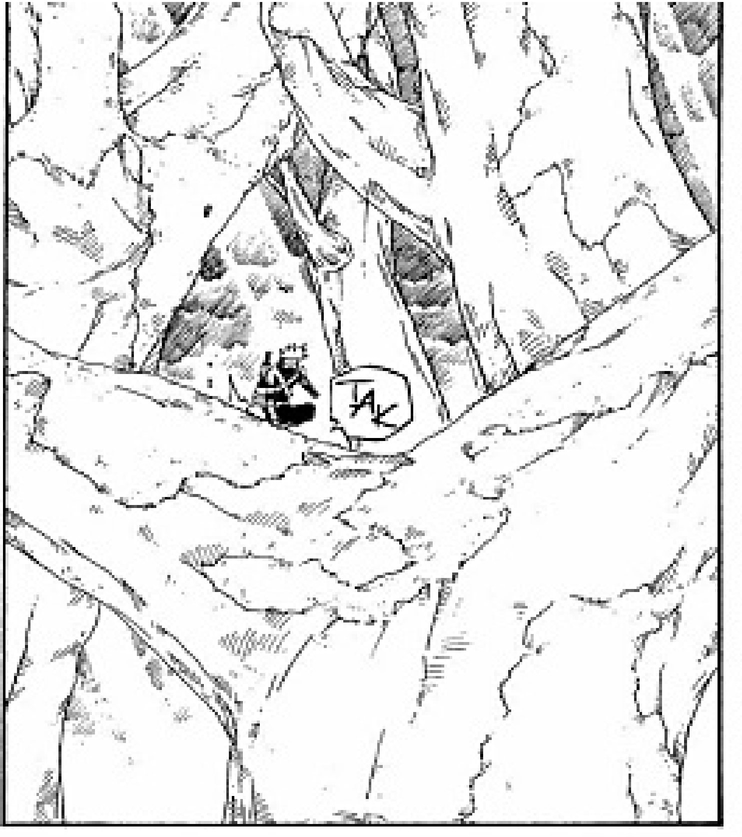
THE BATTLE'S ALMOST OVER.

LET'S GET 'EM NOW!

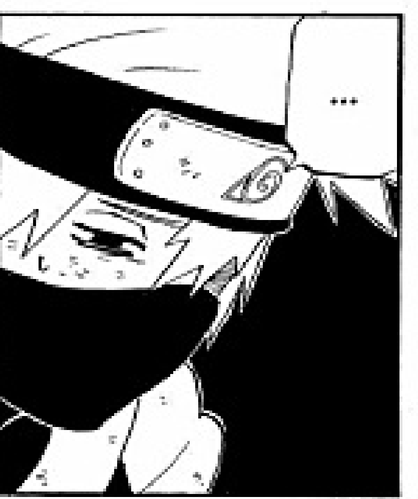
SCHINNG

ALL OF YOU, PLEASE DIRECT THESE KUNAI KNIVES AT THE ENEMY, ALL AT ONCE.

I'LL TAKE CARE OF THE REST MYSELF.



TAK

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THROB

URG ...
SPAP

...

IT'S HEALING.
BUT IF YOU AREN'T CAREFUL, THE WOUND WILL OPEN.

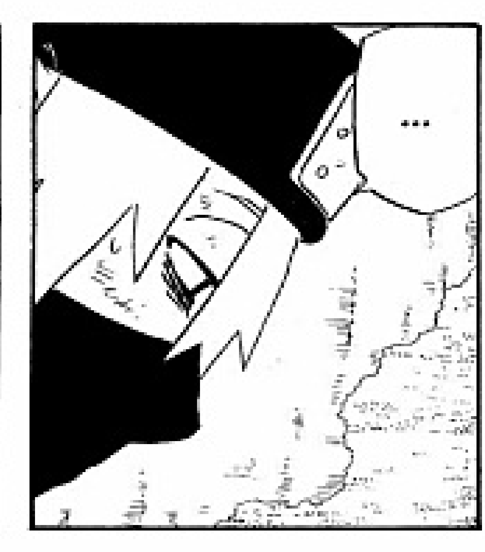
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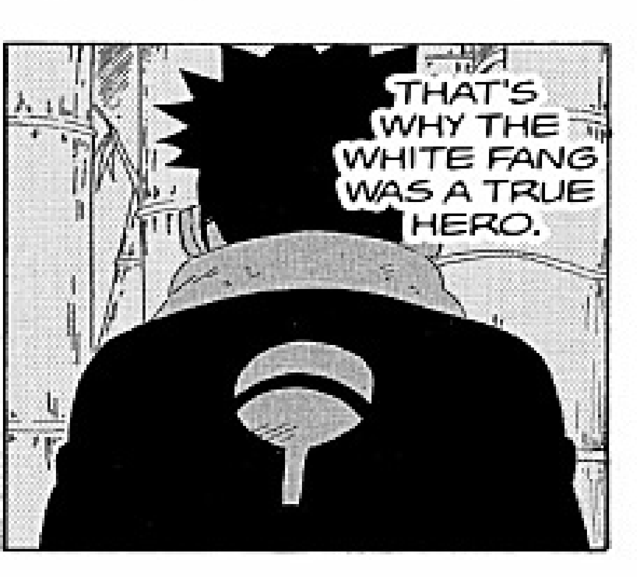

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WITHOUT HER, WE WOULD'VE BEEN DEAD LONG AGO!!

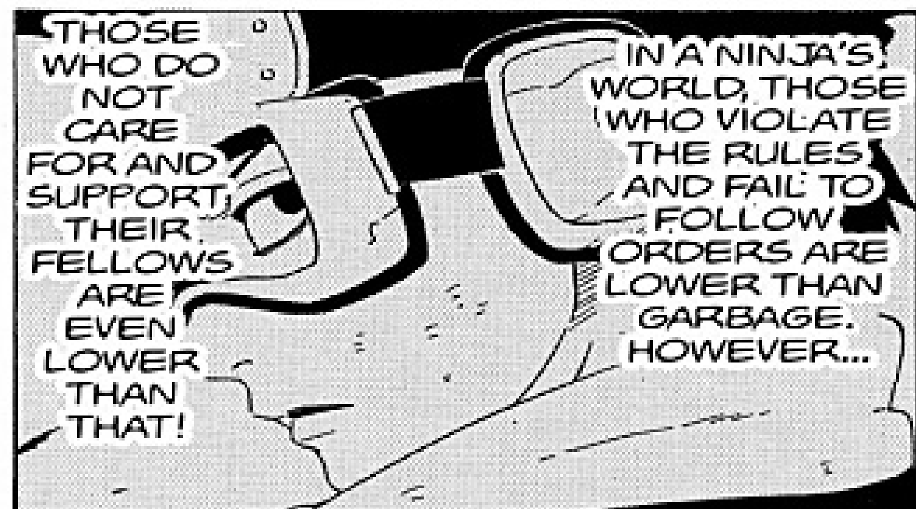

RIGHT NOW, OUR TOP PRIORITY IS...
...RESCUING RIN. NOT OUR MISSION!!


RULES AND REGULATIONS ARE CERTAINLY IMPORTANT. BUT THEY'RE NOT EVERYTHING.
REMEMBER HOW I TOLD YOU... AT TIMES YOU MUST ADAPT, AND TAKE STEPS APPROPRIATE TO THE SITUATION AT HAND.

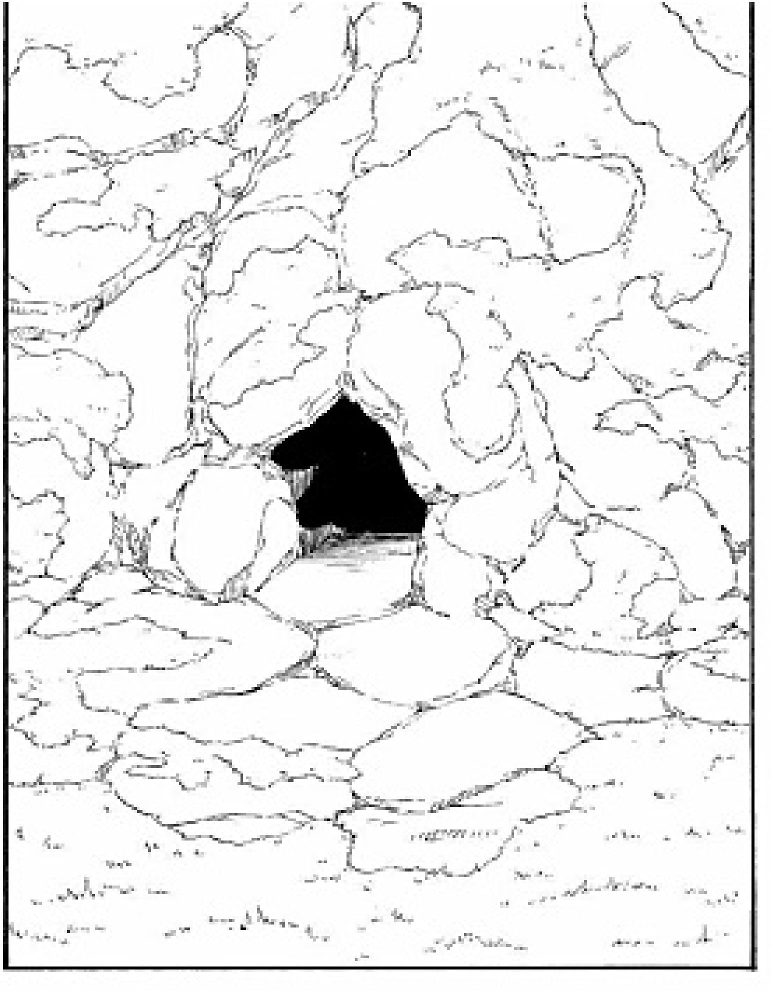

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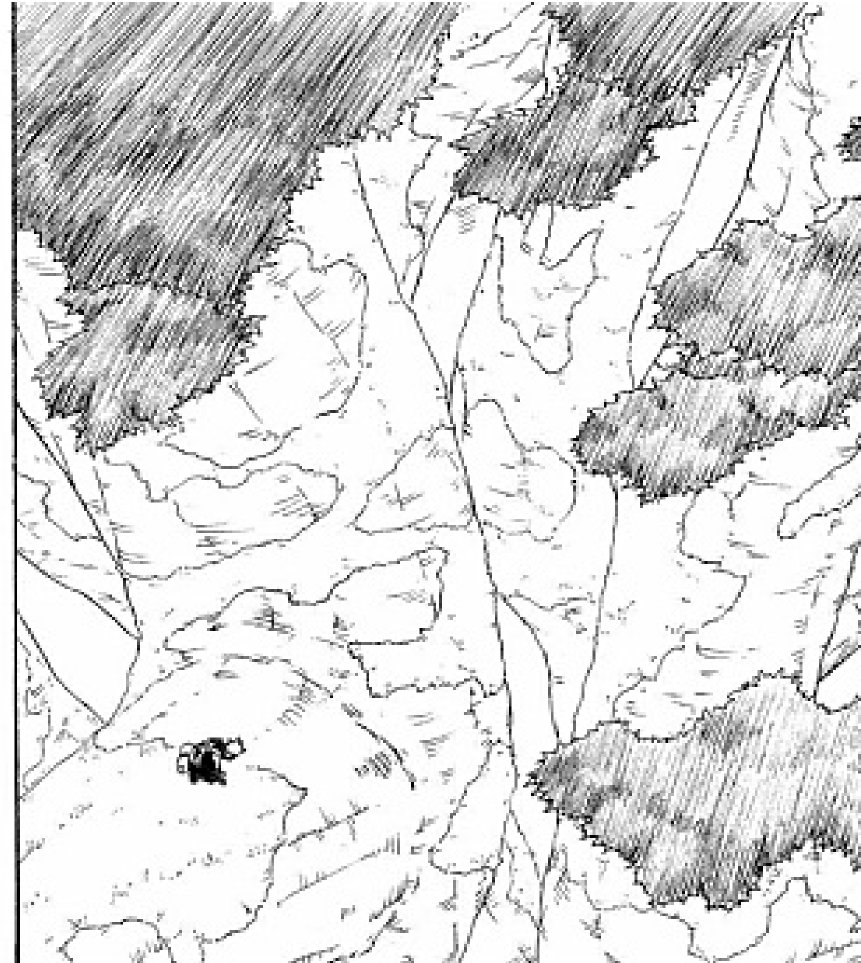



THAT'S WHY THE WHITE FANG WAS A TRUE HERO.


IN A NINJA'S WORLD, THOSE WHO VIOLATE THE RULES AND FAIL TO FOLLOW ORDERS ARE LOWER THAN GARBAGE. HOWEVER...
THOSE WHO DO NOT CARE FOR AND SUPPORT THEIR FELLOWS ARE EVEN LOWER THAN THAT!

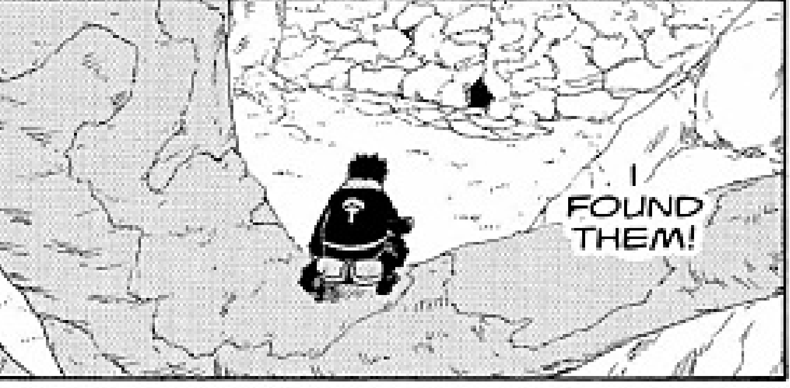








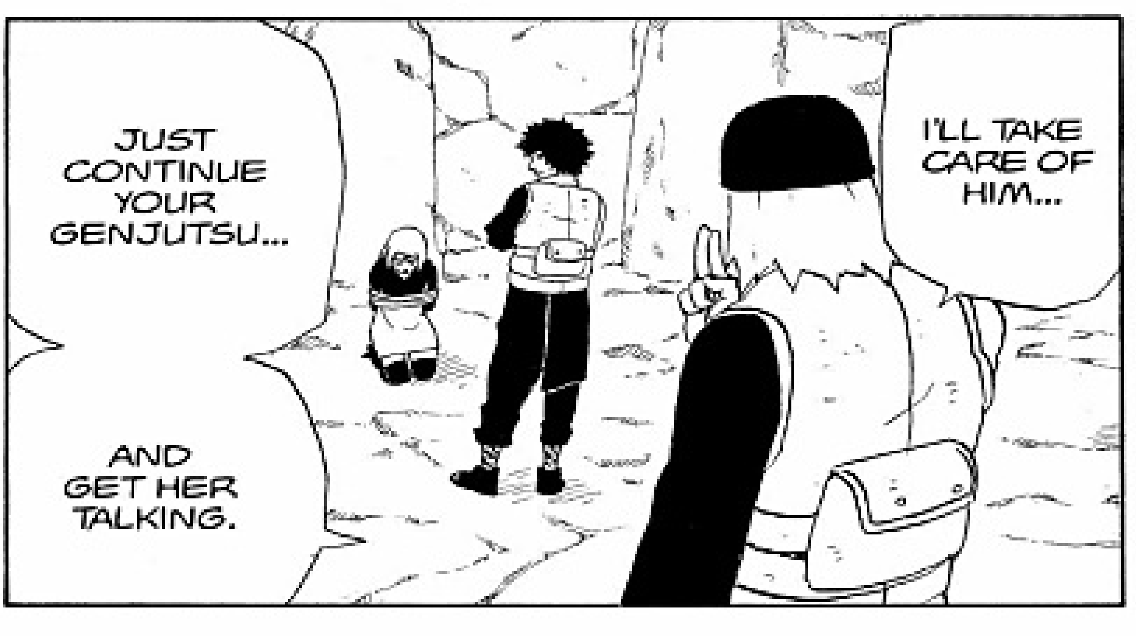
GOTTA CALM DOWN ...
I CAN DO THIS...
SLAPP
SLAPP



I FOUND THEM!

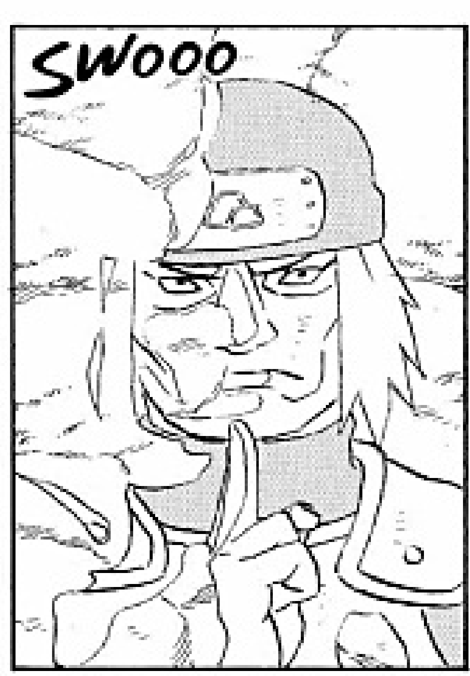


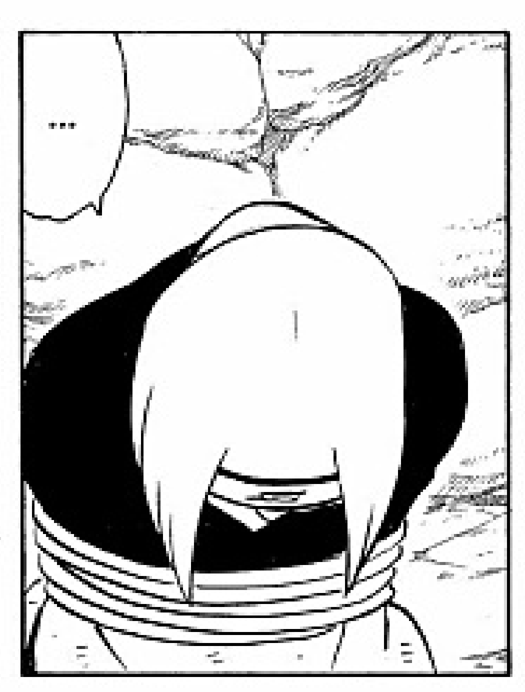
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I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM...
JUST CONTINUE YOUR GENJUTSU...
AND GET HER TALKING.





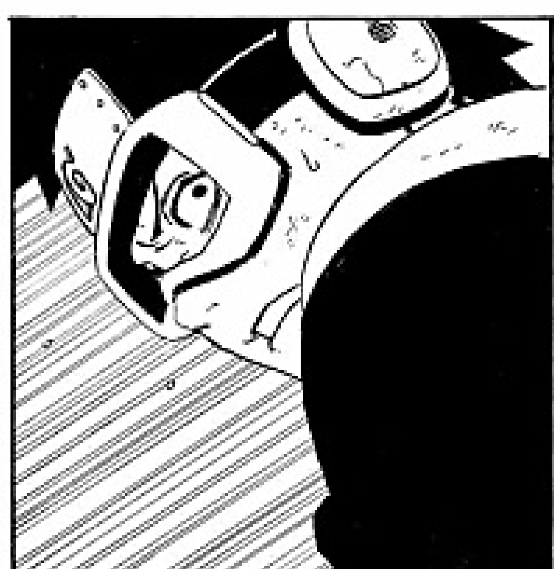




WHERE ARE WE GOING?

SWOOOO

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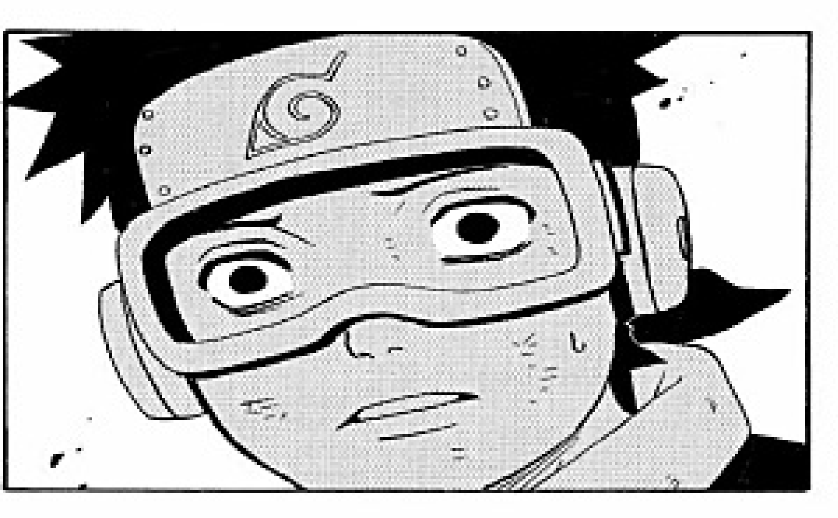


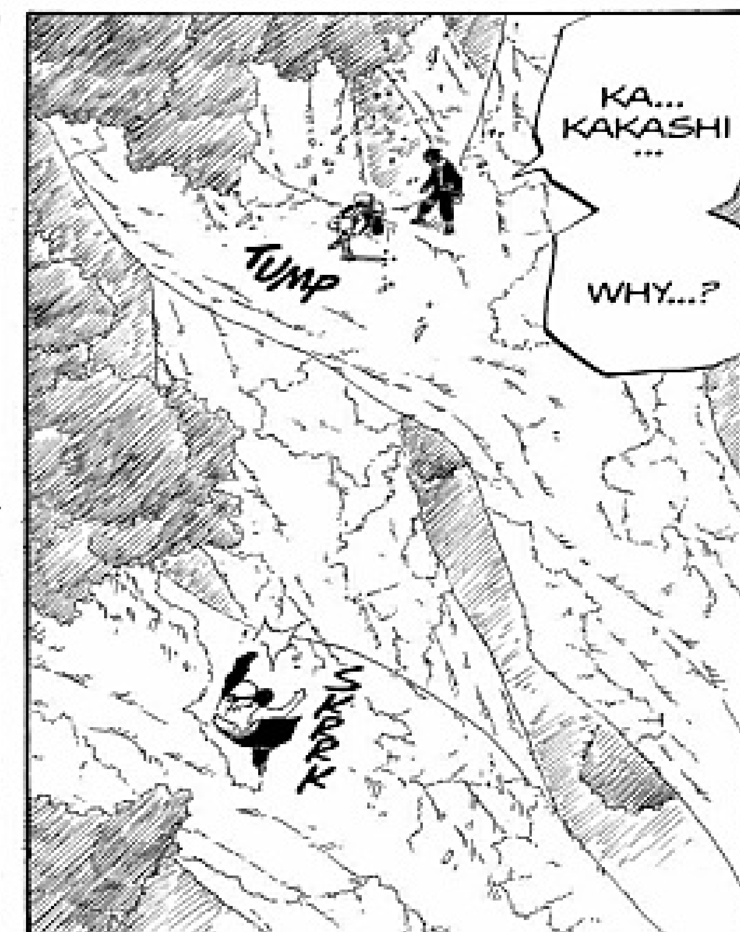



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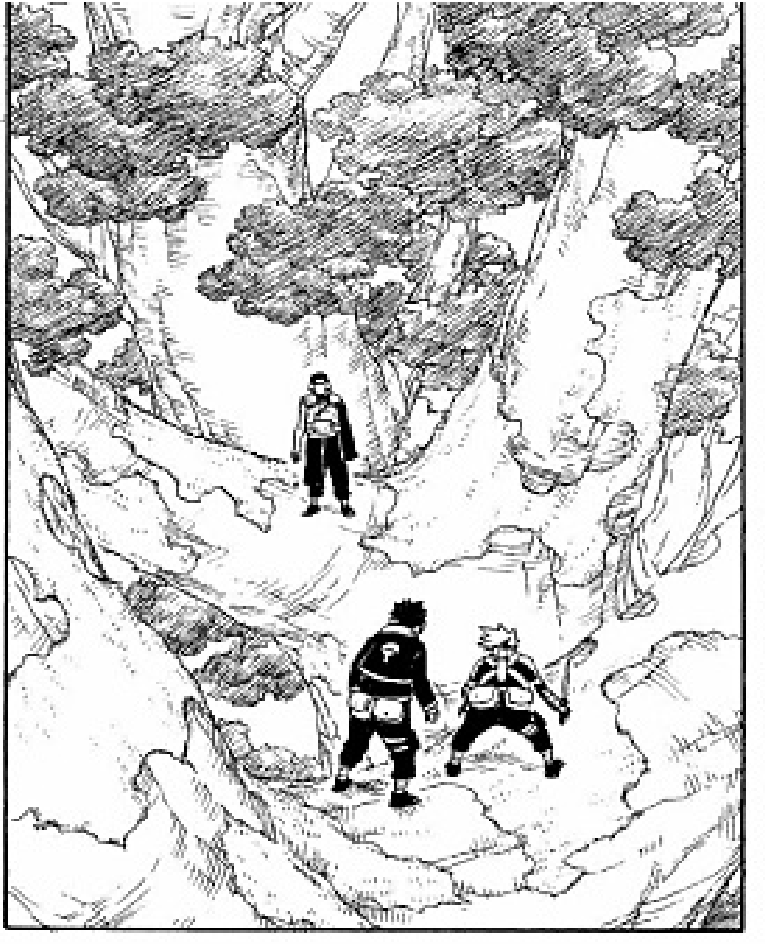

KA... KAKASHI ...
WHY...?
TUMP
SKRRK


LOOK! I CAN'T LEAVE THIS UP TO A CRYBABY NINJA LIKE YOU, CAN I?


KAKASHI...


THE SILVER HAIR... THE WHITE LIGHT BLADE... COULD IT BE...


...THE WHITE FANG OF KONOHA?!

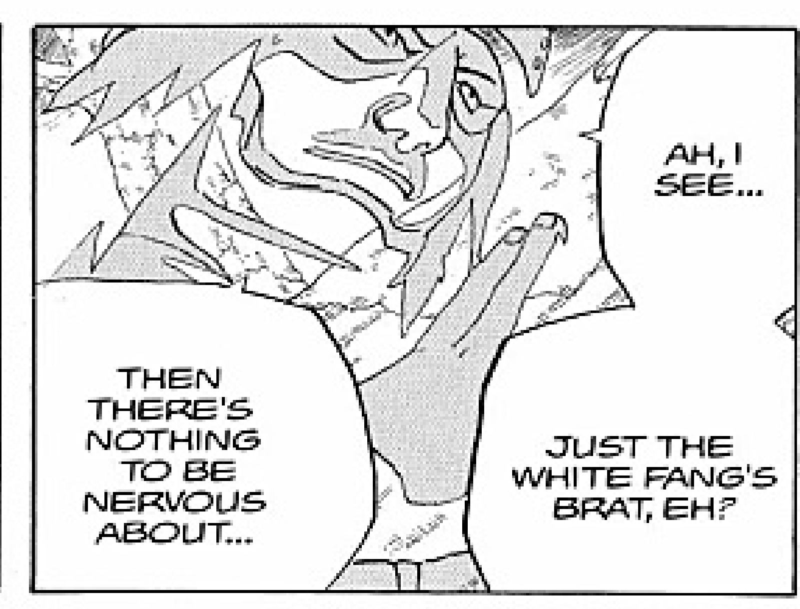


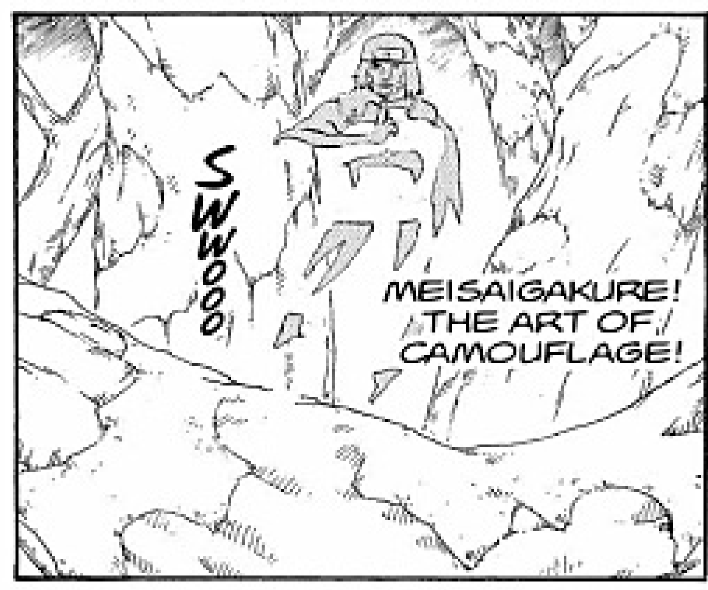

THIS IS A MEMENTO FROM MY FATHER.
...!


A SHINOBI NEEDS TOOLS SUITABLE TO THE MISSION AT HAND.
EMOTION IS JUST A USELESS BURDEN.


KAKASHI... YOU...


READ THIS WAY


AH, I SEE...
JUST THE WHITE FANG'S BRAT, EH?
THEN THERE'S NOTHING TO BE NERVOUS ABOUT...

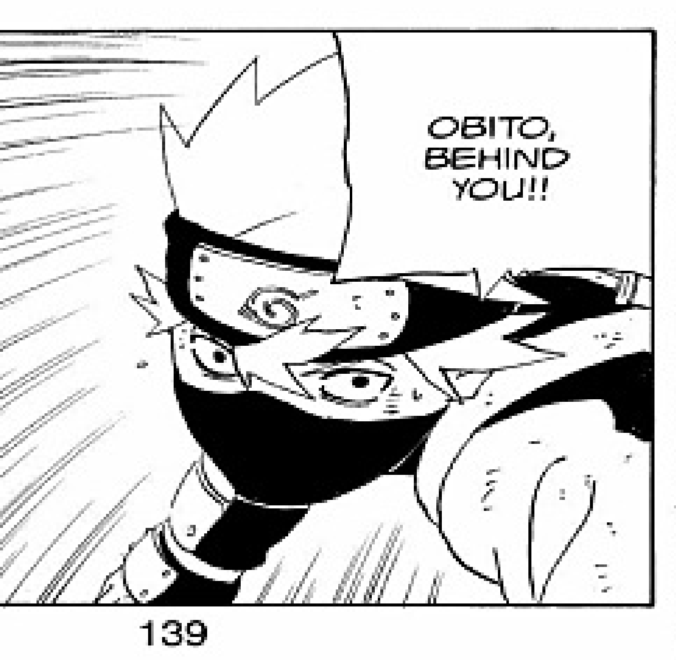

SWWOOO
MEISAIGAKURE! THE ART OF CAMOUFLAGE!


SNFF SNFF


JUST AS I THOUGHT...
EVEN HIS SMELL IS GONE.
WE'D HAVE TO LOCATE HIM BY THE SLIGHTEST HINT OF SOUND.


WHERE...?

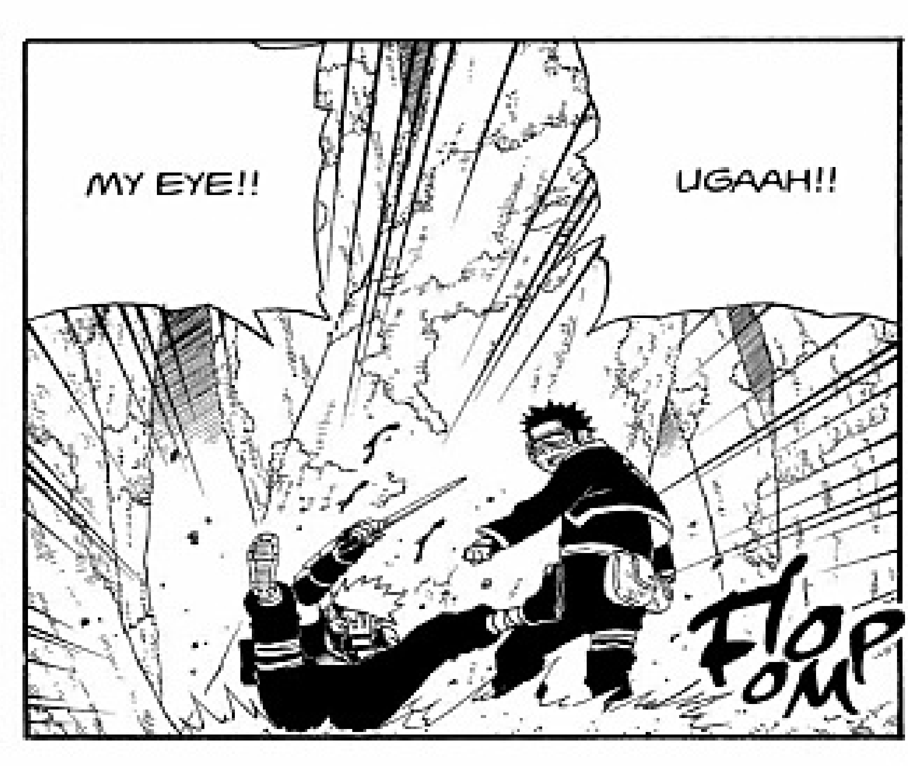

!


OBITO, BEHIND YOU!!

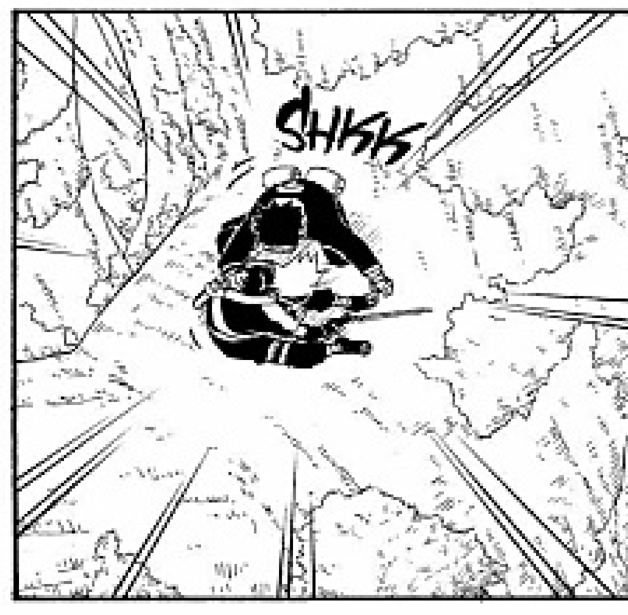


SLSS


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WAY


UGAAH!!
MY EYE!!
FTOOMP


KAKASHI!!


SHKK

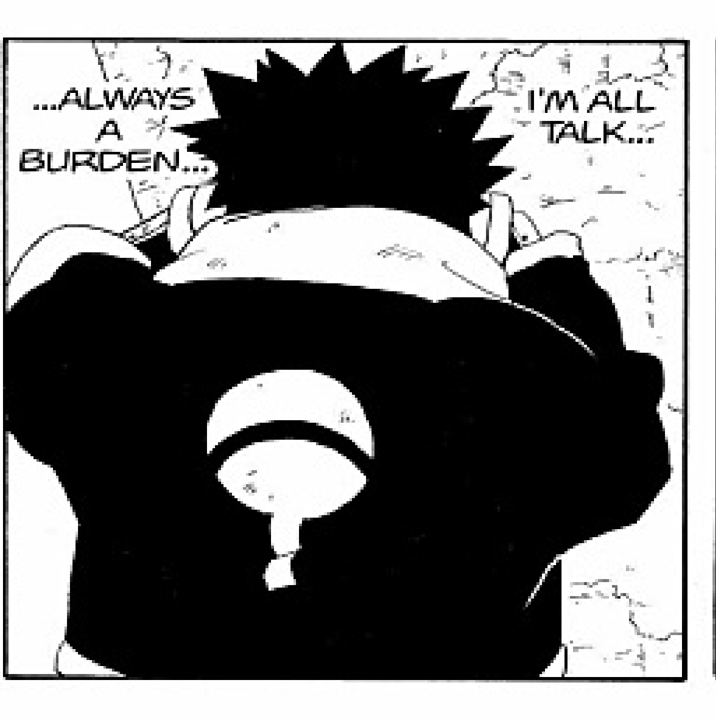

KAKASHI! KAKASHI!
YOU OKAY?!
URG... YEAH...

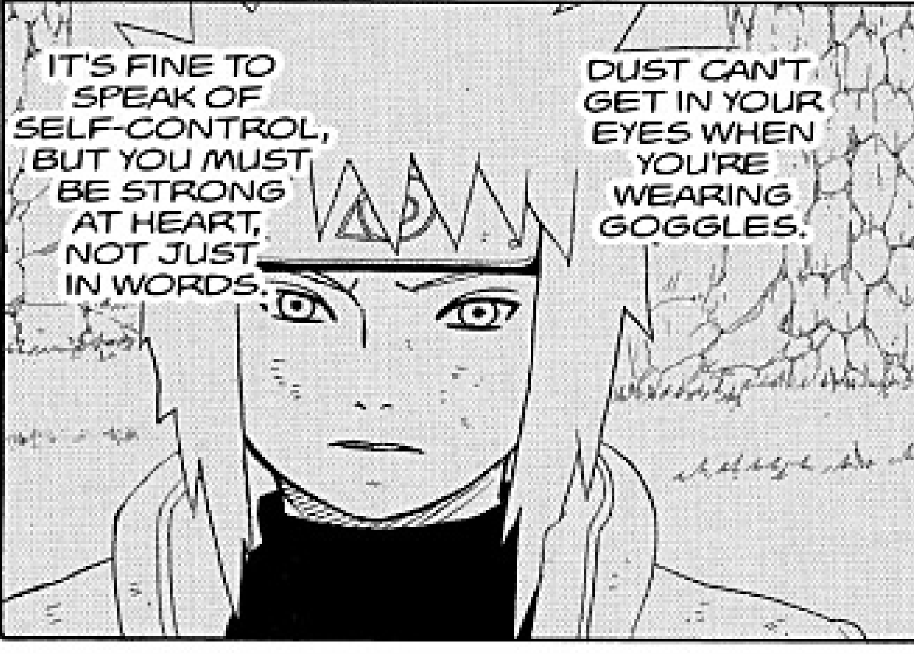

HE... HE'S PRETTY GOOD...
DRUP DRUP
HE MADE SURE TO THROW AWAY THE KUNAI KNIFE HE STAINED WITH MY BLOOD.



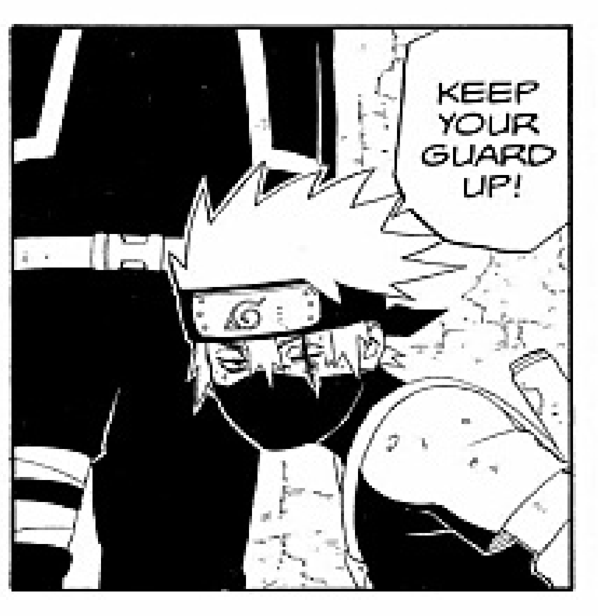








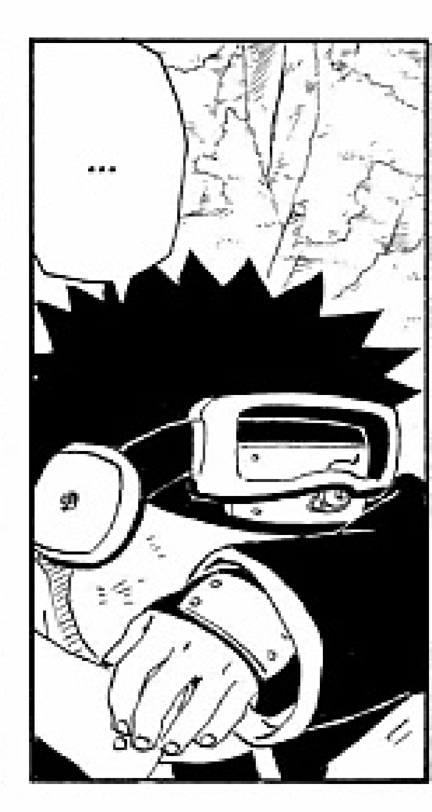


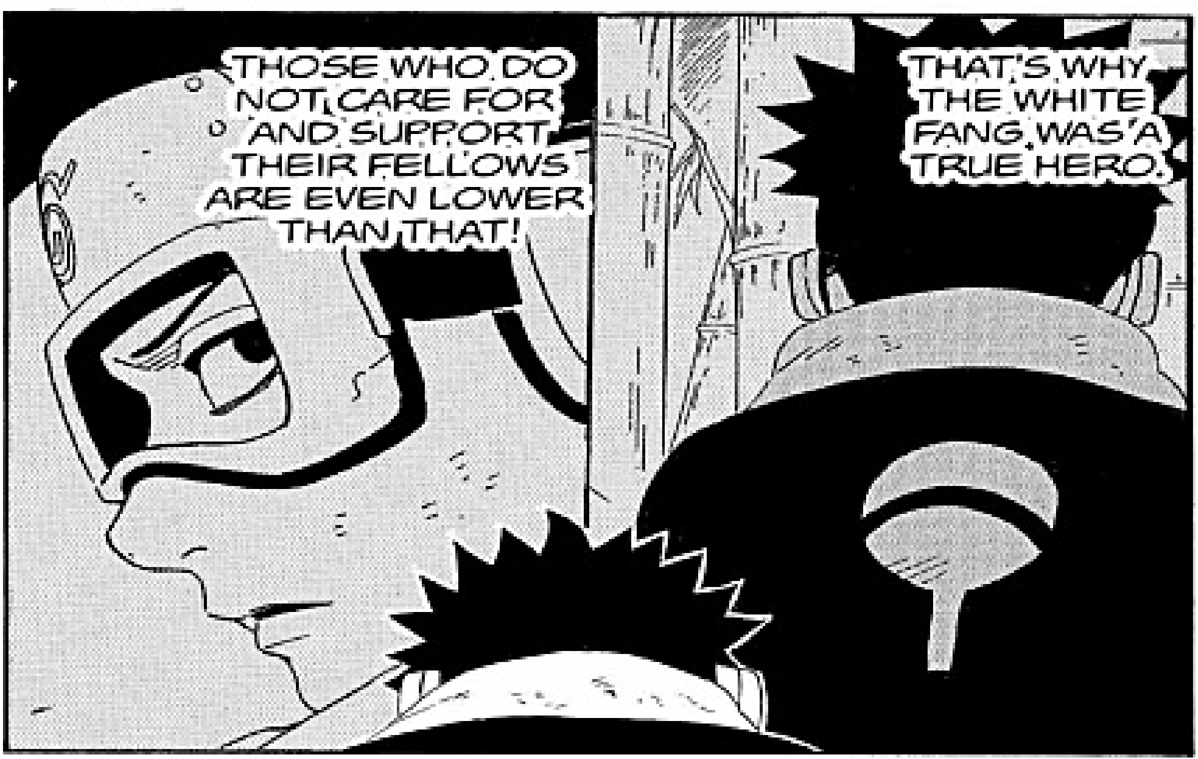


JUST A BIG-MOUTHED WASHOUT...

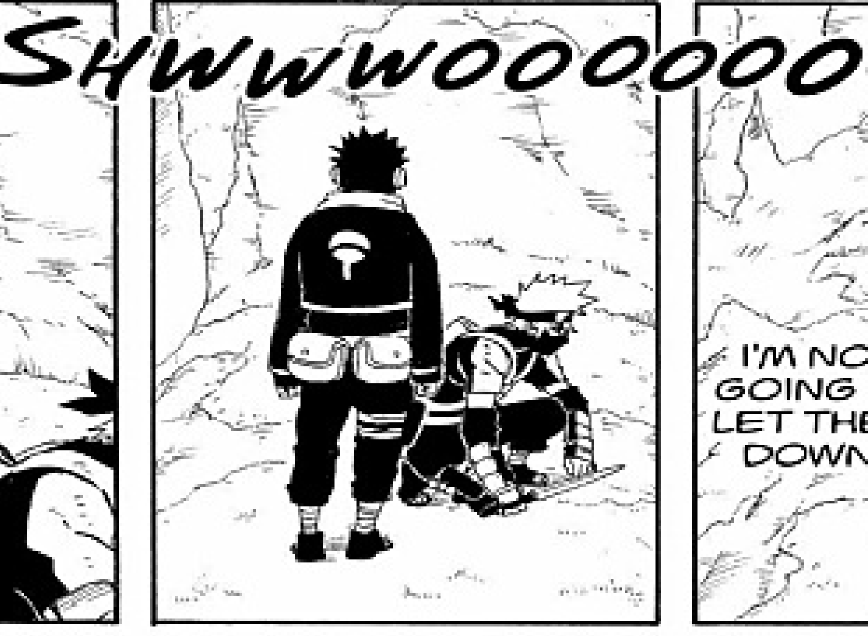
BUT STILL...


READ THIS WAY


...


THAT'S WHY THE WHITE FANG WAS A TRUE HERO.
THOSE WHO DO NOT CARE FOR AND SUPPORT THEIR FELLOWS ARE EVEN LOWER THAN THAT!


SHWWWOOOOOOOO
THOSE WORDS I SAID...
I'M NOT GOING TO LET THEM DOWN...








DIE!!


SHLUKK



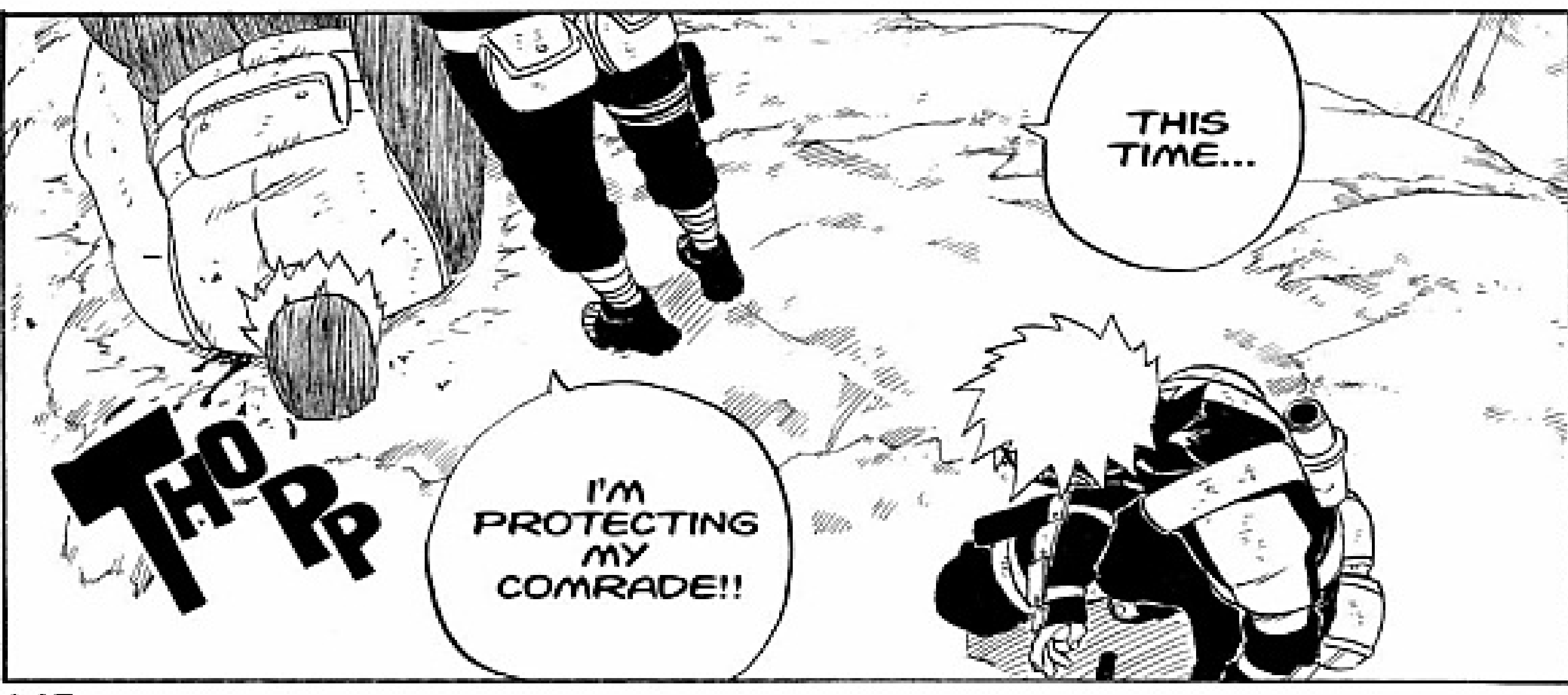

READ
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WAY


!
OBITO... YOU...


SWOO
DRUP

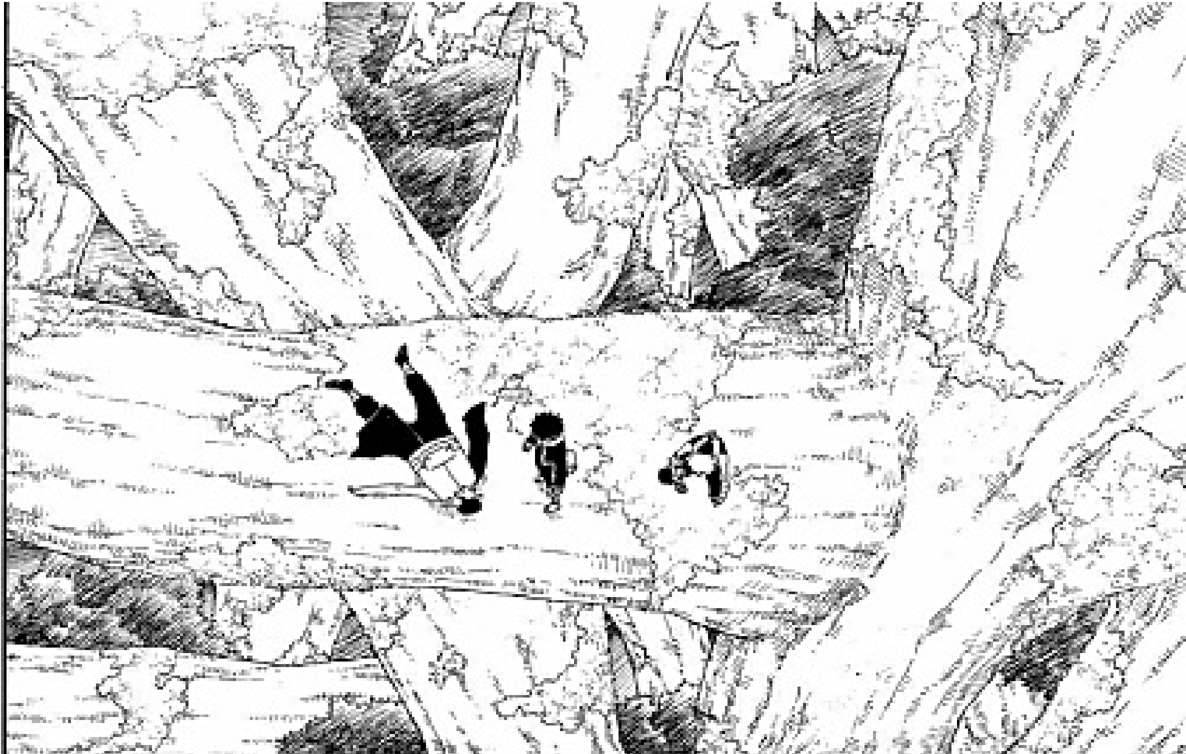

SWOO
H... HOW...? YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY SEE ME...
DRIPP


WHAT...? YOUR EYES...?!
URRR


THIS TIME...
I'M PROTECTING MY COMRADE!!
THOPP


NARUTO
TM


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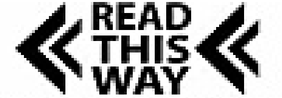

OBITO... YOUR EYES...


YEAH...
SHARINGAN...
I CAN SEE CHAKRA!


...!!
UGH!
THROBB


KAKASHI?!!
...


YEAH...
MY EYE IS GONE, OBITO...
SHFF SHFF









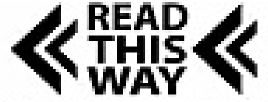
YOU'RE CERTAINLY STUBBORN, AREN'T YOU.

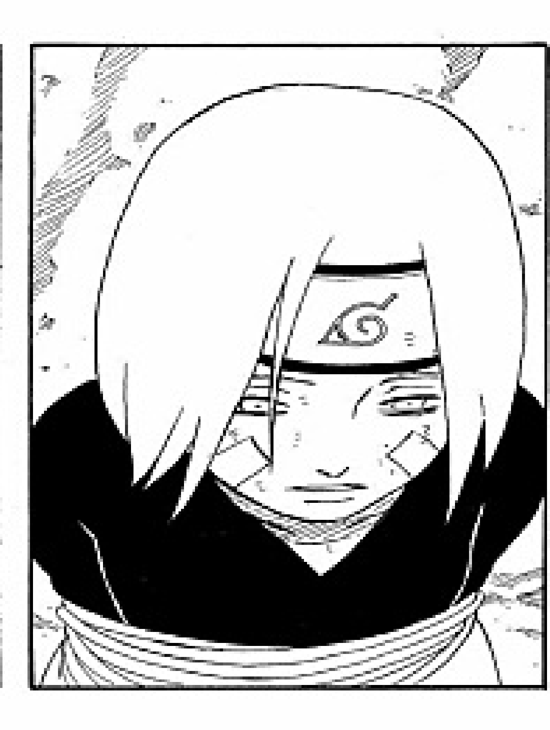
YANK



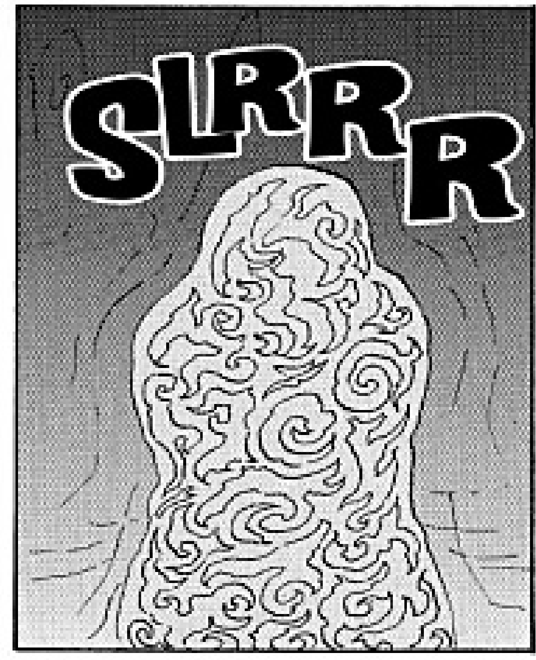



AGH, THEY'RE ALL SO PATHETIC...


READ THIS WAY




SHARINGAN!!
GRRR


SLRRR


RIN'S CHAKRA IS DISTURBED...
IT'S FLOWING IN PATTERNS DIFFERENT FROM OURS.
SHE'S UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF GENJUTSU.
THEY TRIED TO FORCE HER TO TALK.


HMPH...
SOME KIDS...

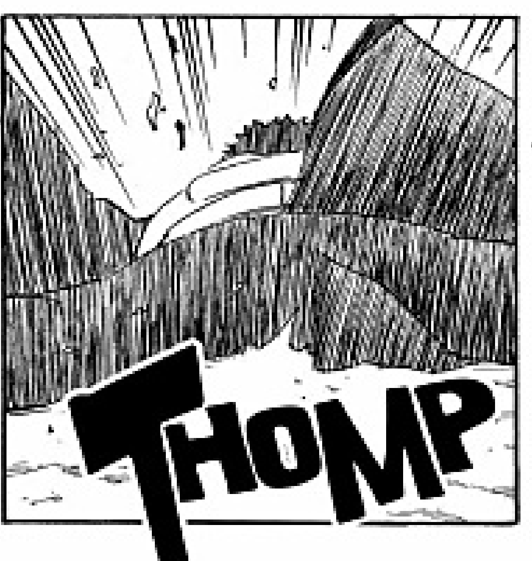

WE FOUGHT EARLIER... HE'S QUICK.
GOTTA BE CARE-FUL.
SHFF
SHFF
GOT-CHA!




FSSH
FSSH
FWOOM
PA
POW POW POW
BU
WSSH
OOM


DIE!!
BWOOM
!!
FWISH
!
PAM
PAM-M

SHLUKK

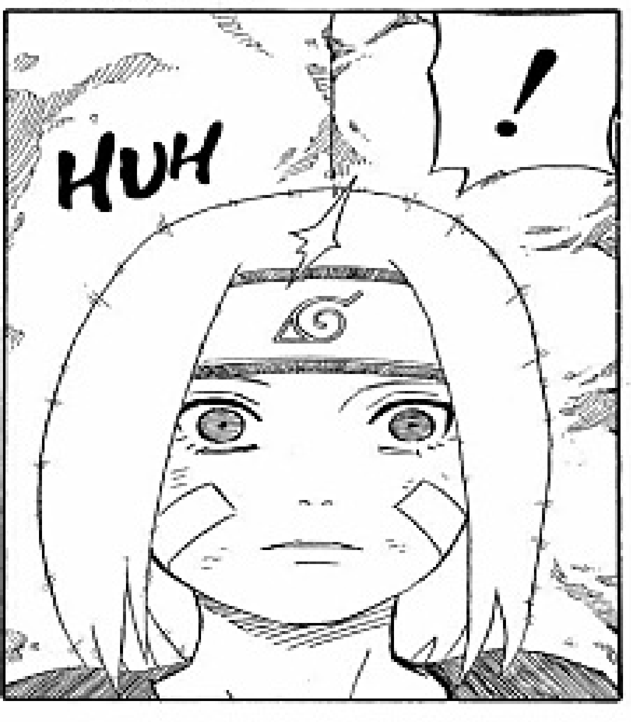




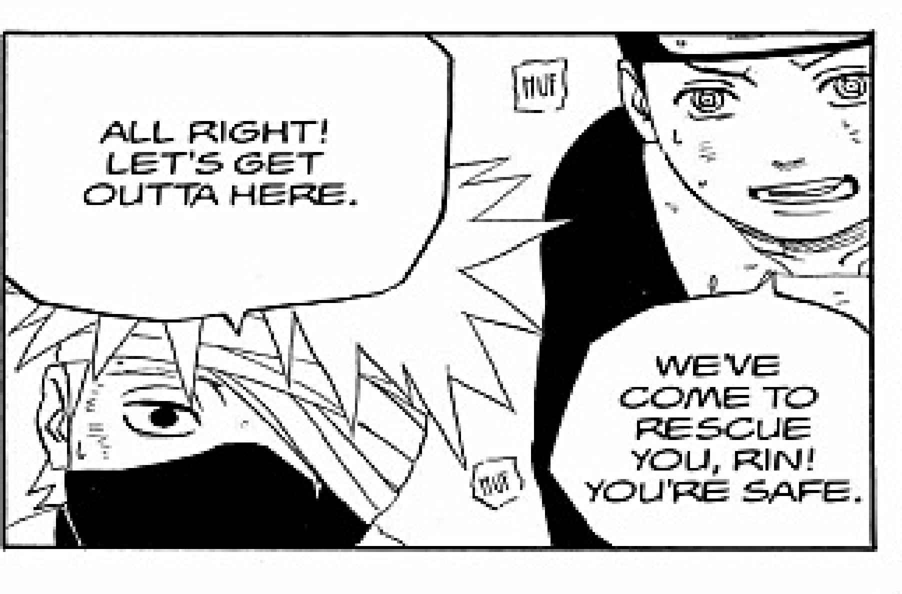


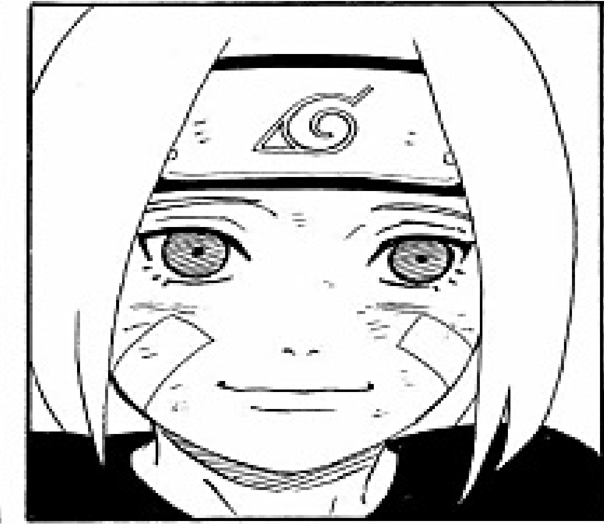

READ THIS WAY


SHFF
KAI! RELEASE!!

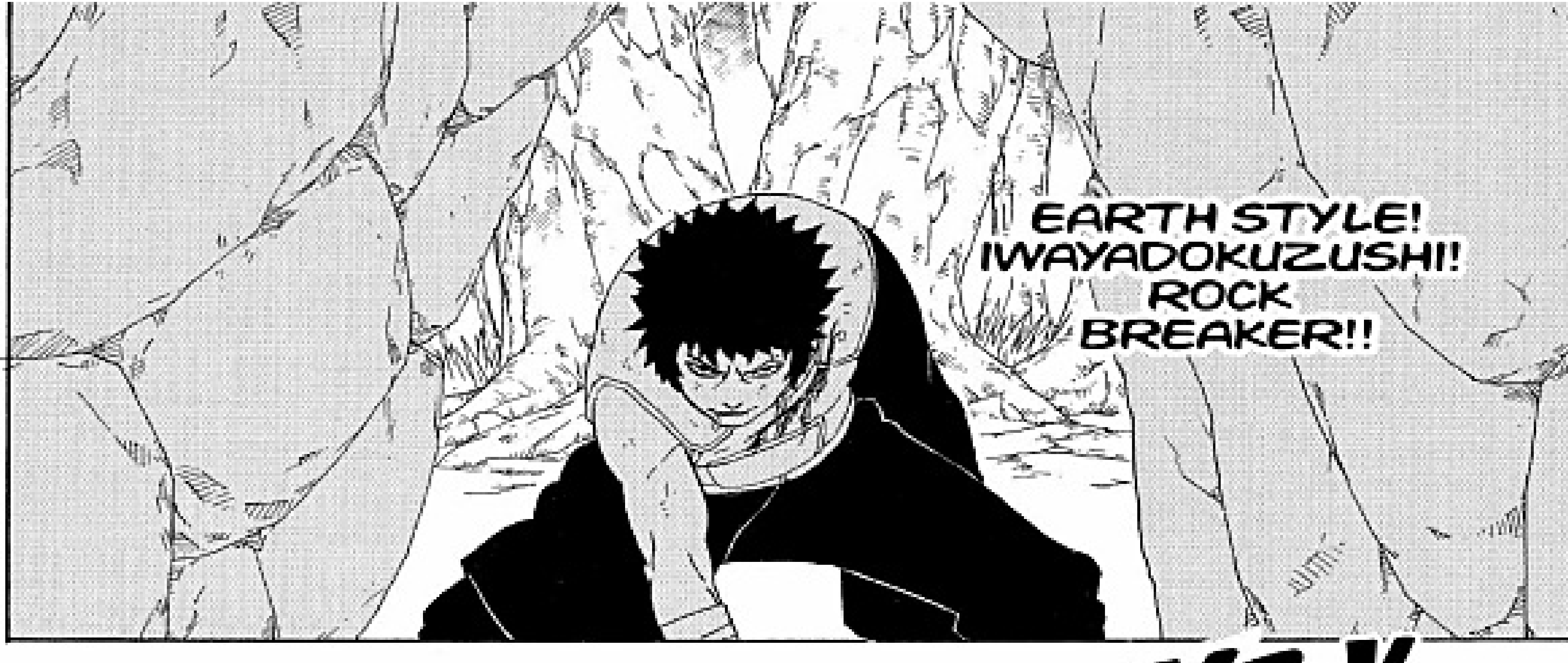

!
HUH


KAKASHI... OBITO...


HUF
WE'VE COME TO RESCUE YOU, RIN! YOU'RE SAFE.
ALL RIGHT! LET'S GET OUTTA HERE.
HUF




HMPH... THAT WAS A PRETTY GOOD COMBO...
BUT YOU'RE STILL KIDS IN THE END.
!!
REMEMBER, YOU'RE STANDING IN THE PALM OF YOUR ENEMY NOW...


EARTH STYLE! IWAYADOKUZUSHI! ROCK BREAKER!!


GUYS, MAKE FOR THE EXIT!

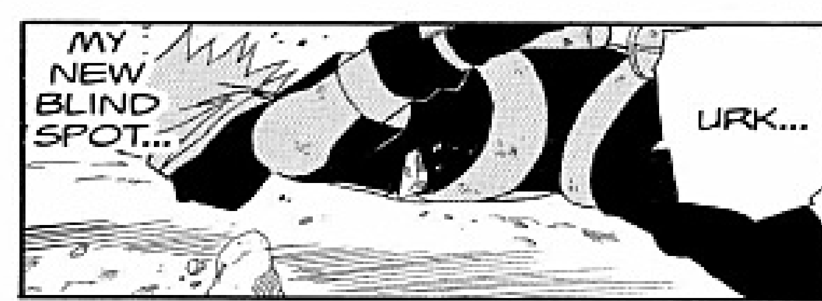

!!
THIS IS BAD!


KRAK
KAK
KRAK
KAK

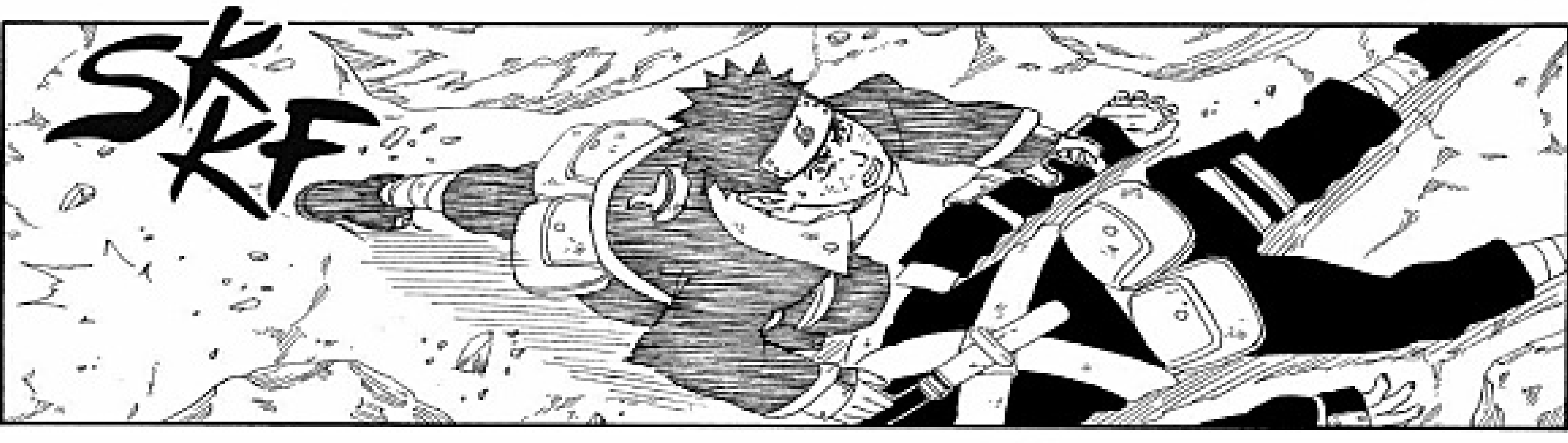

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SHKARRNNCH

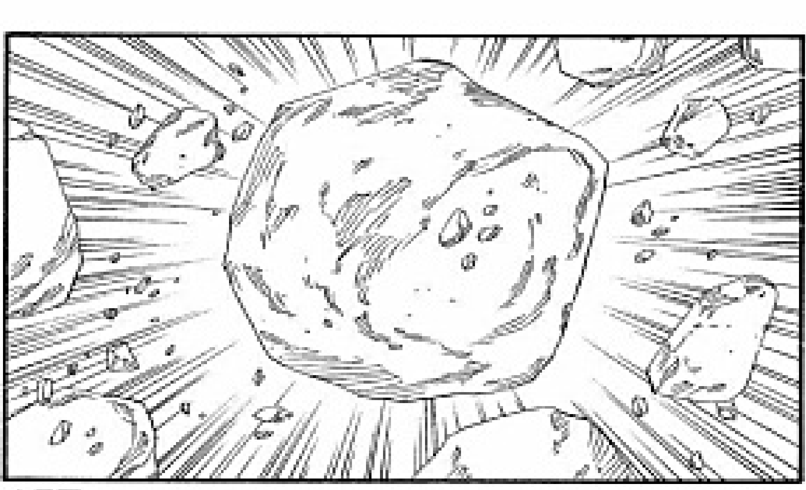

SMEK


URK...
MY NEW BLIND SPOT...


BAM
FUMP
BAM
BAM
KAKA-SHI!
URG!


SKKF

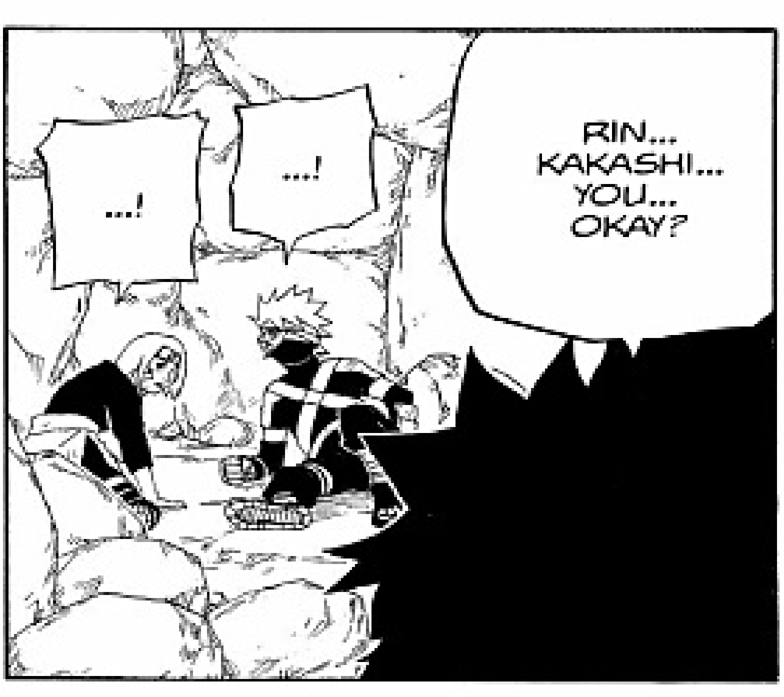

FWEEE



CHUD
CHUD
CHOK
CHAK


OH WELL. NO HELPING THAT...
TOO BAD. I LOST A GOOD SOURCE OF INFORMATION...


SKRNCH


...!
...!
RIN... KAKASHI... YOU... OKAY?


...!


...
URK...

OBITO!!



ARGH!
MMMG
SKFF



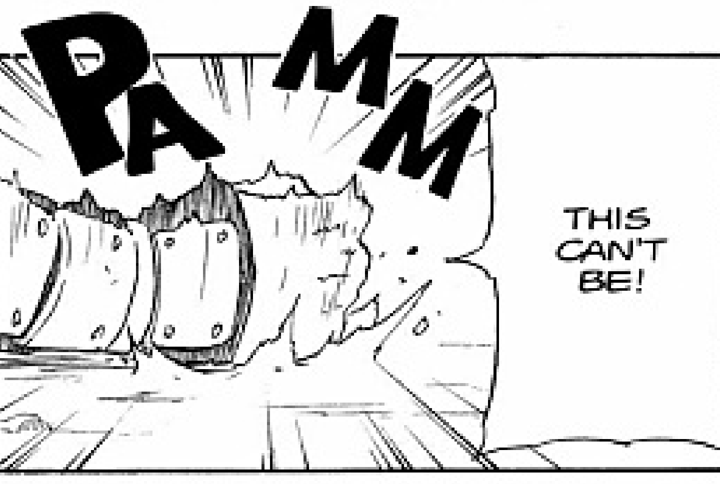
DON'T... KAKASHI... IT'S OKAY.
I... DON'T THINK I CAN MAKE IT.
MY RIGHT SIDE IS PRETTY MUCH GONE... I DON'T... I DON'T EVEN FEEL ANYTHING...

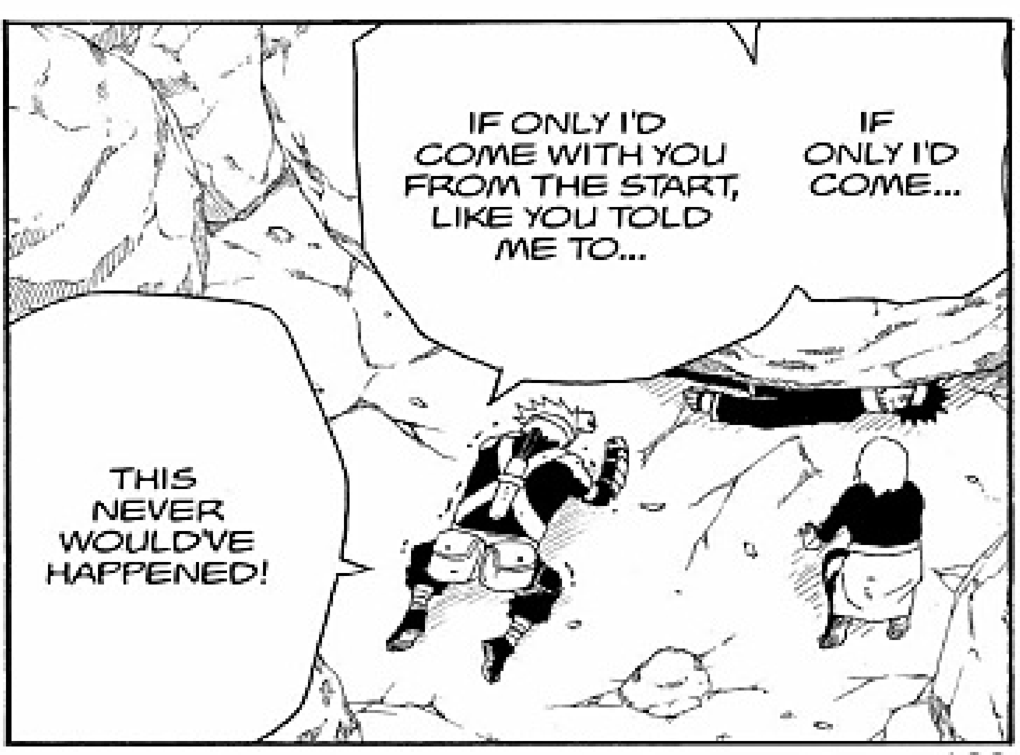

HUF
HUF
...


NO...
NOT LIKE THIS...
WHY...


GUH...


OBITO!


THIS CAN'T BE!
PAMM

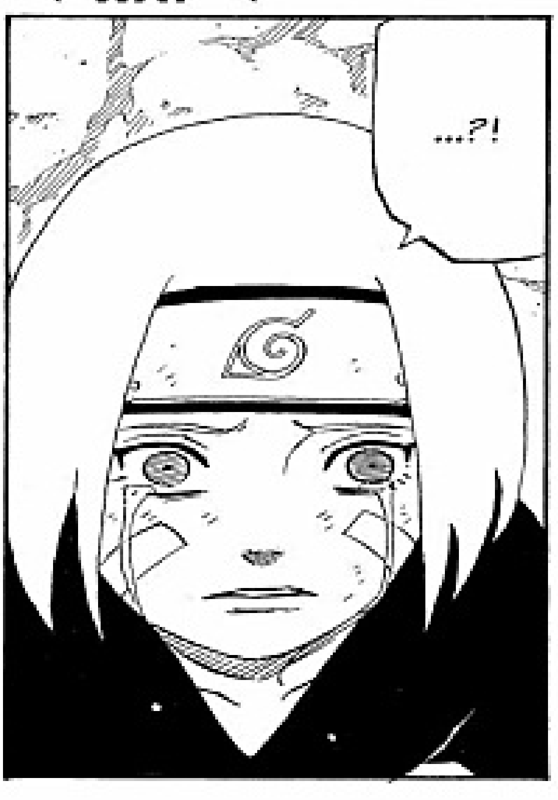

IF ONLY I'D COME...
IF ONLY I'D COME WITH YOU FROM THE START, LIKE YOU TOLD ME TO...
THIS NEVER WOULD'VE HAPPENED!

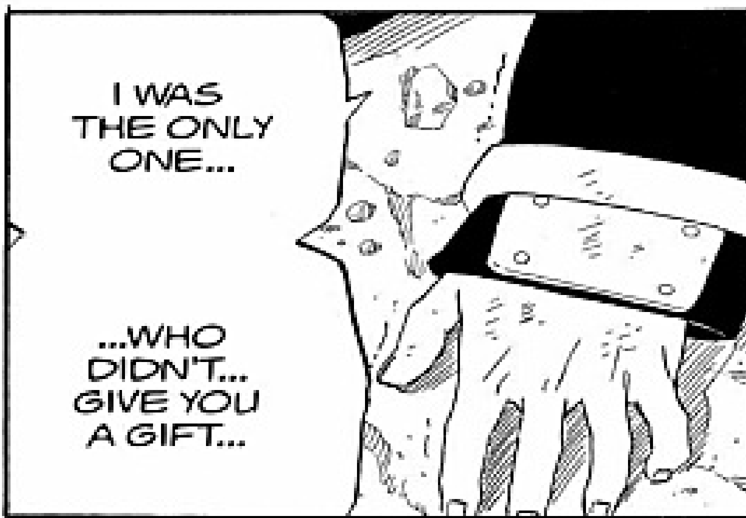

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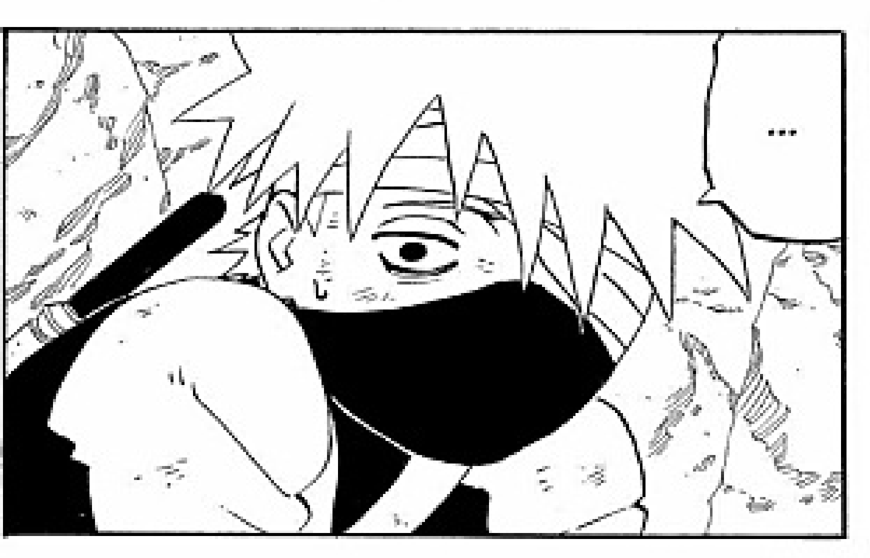

READ THIS WAY


SO WHAT I'M A CELL LEADER!
SO WHAT I MADE JŌNIN...


KAKASHI... I'D COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN...


...?!


I WAS THE ONLY ONE...
...WHO DIDN'T... GIVE YOU A GIFT...


...


I DIDN'T KNOW... WHAT WAS PROPER...
BUT... I DO NOW...
YOU... SEE...
IT WON'T BE USELESS...


...

I'M... GIVING YOU MY... SHARINGAN.

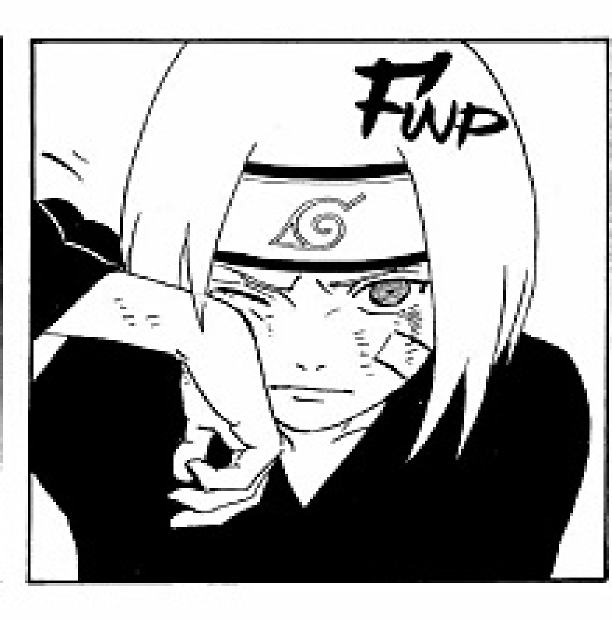
WHATEVER THE... THE VILLAGE... MAY SAY...

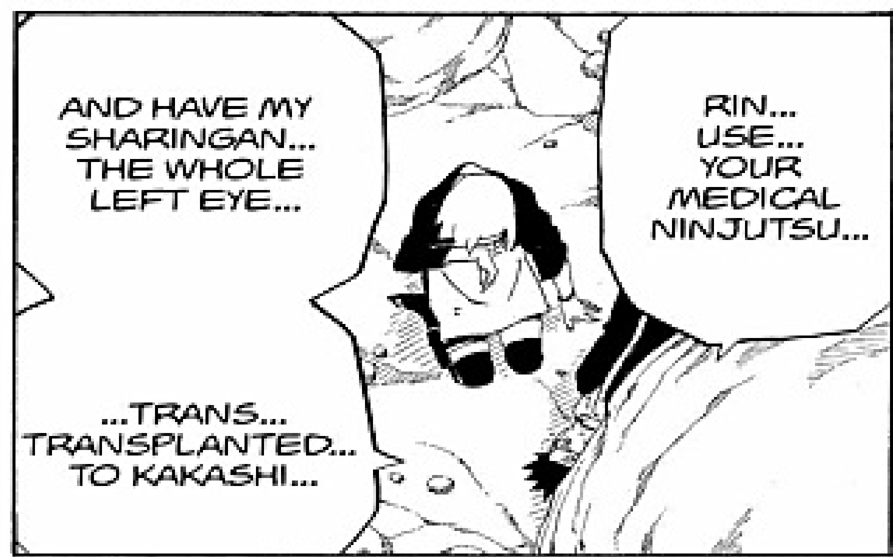
YOU ARE... A GREAT JŌNIN...

I WANT YOU... TO KNOW THAT...

PLEASE ACCEPT...


READ THIS WAY


FWP


RIN... USE... YOUR MEDICAL NINJUTSU...
AND HAVE MY SHARINGAN... THE WHOLE LEFT EYE...
...TRANS... TRANSPLANTED... TO KAKASHI...


KAKASHI, COME HERE.
I'LL DO IT NOW!


...


I'M ABOUT TO... DIE.


BUT I'LL... BECOME YOUR EYE...
AND WE'LL SEE WHAT HAPPENS... IN THE FUTURE...


...

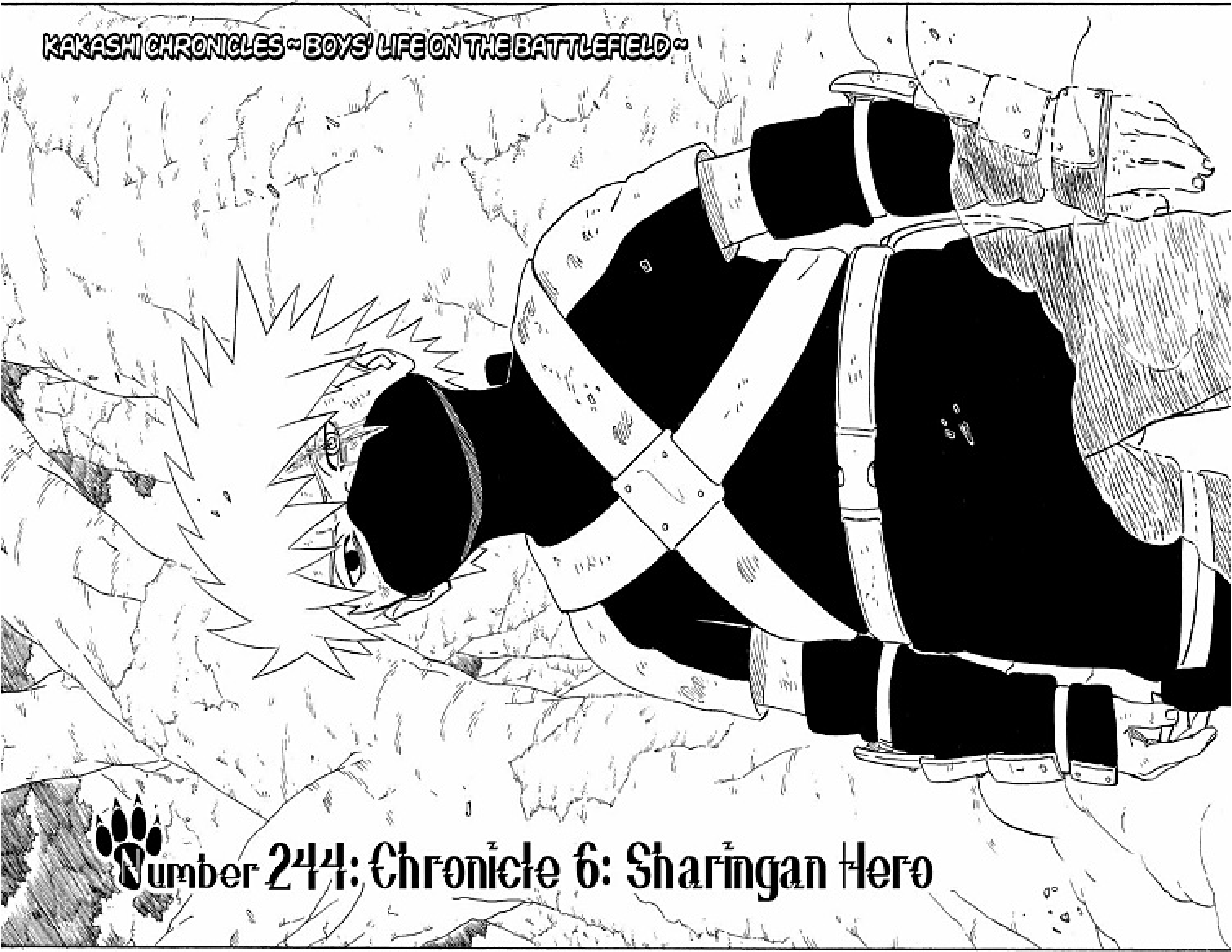





YOU STILL AROUND? OH JUST DIE ALREADY.
CRKK
HA... YOU ARE JUST A KID.
SHINOBI DON'T CRY, YOU KNOW.
BRING IT ON, CRYBABY!
I'LL FINISH YOU OFF HERE AND NOW.


BKWAMM
?!!
!
CRMBL


NARUTO
TM



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THIS KID... HE'S DIFFERENT FROM BEFORE...
...!


WSSST
KAKA-SHI...

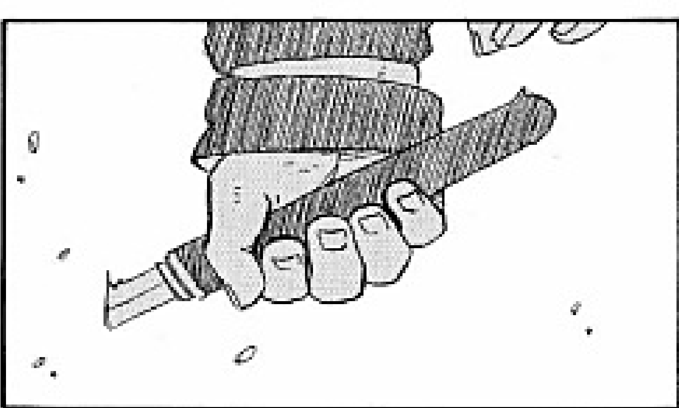

LOOK AFTER RIN... FOR ME...


DON'T WORRY...

FWOO

FWSSH

SHAIINNNG

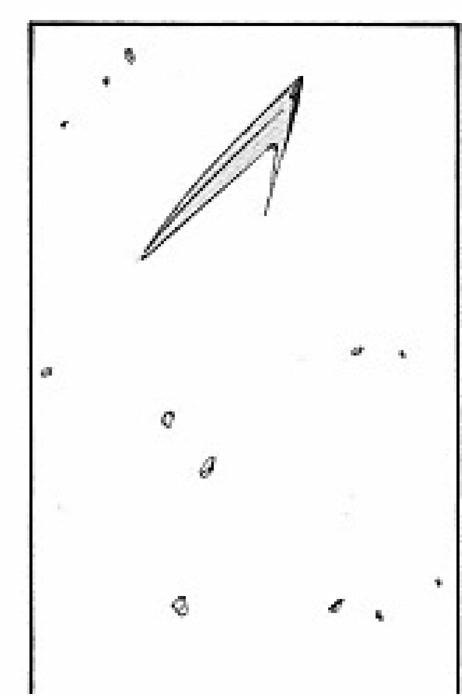


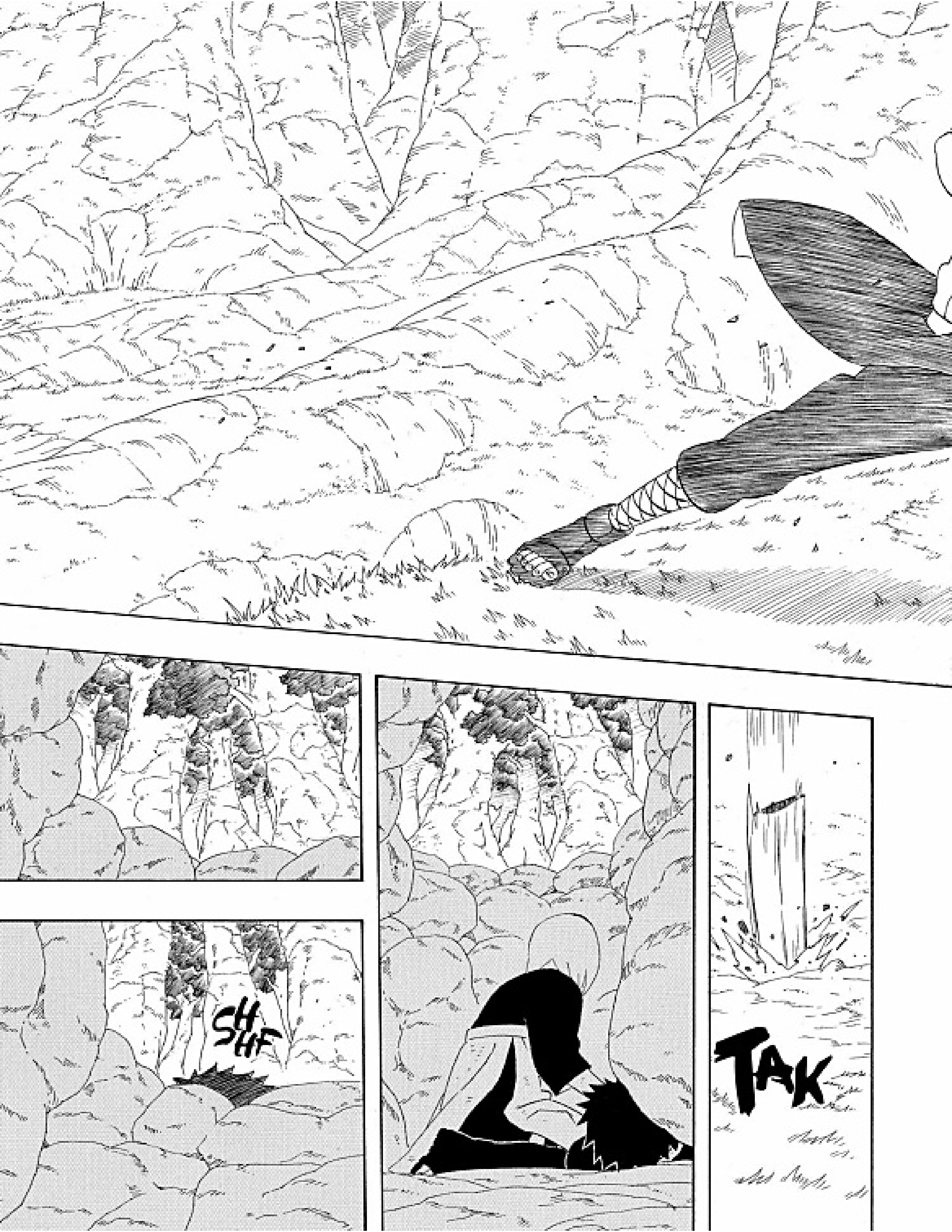





FWIP
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TUMP


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SHHF
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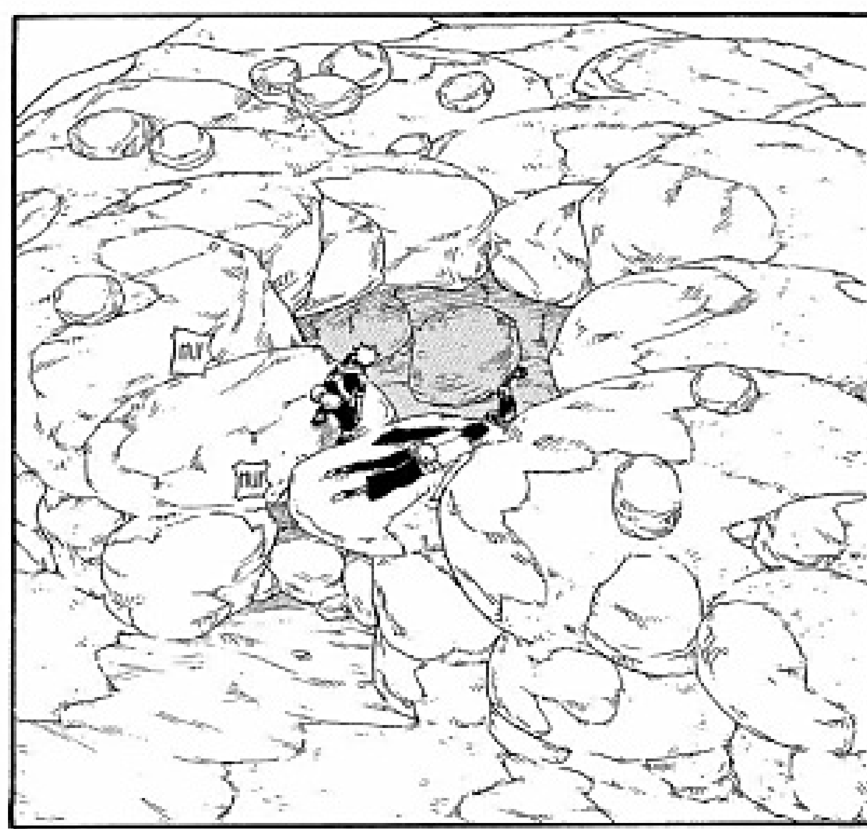


HUF

HUF

THOPP

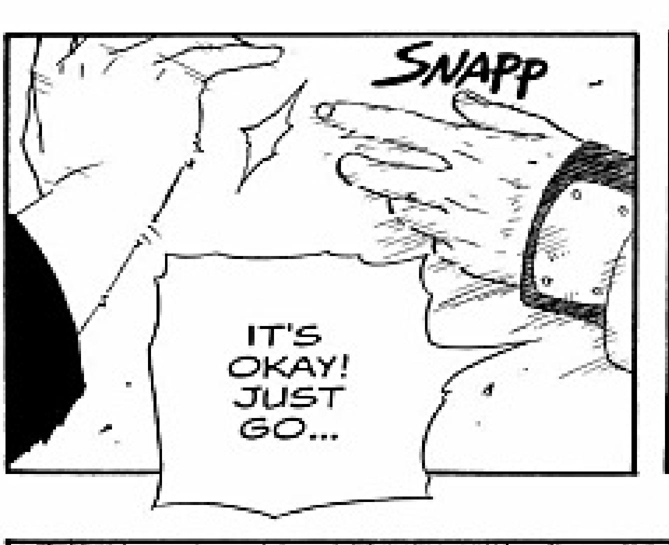

READ THIS WAY




KAKA-SHI!...
TAKE RIN... AND GO... LEAVE HERE...
REINFORCE-MENTS... COMING...


...


...
OBITO...


SNAPP
IT'S OKAY! JUST GO...


...


RIN...

EARTHQUAKE SLAM!!
SLAM
FWIP
FWIP
...!
KRAKKRAKKRAKK!!


RIN! TAKE MY HAND, NOW!!
?!
SKRNCH
SHK
SHK


RIN...


...


PAMM

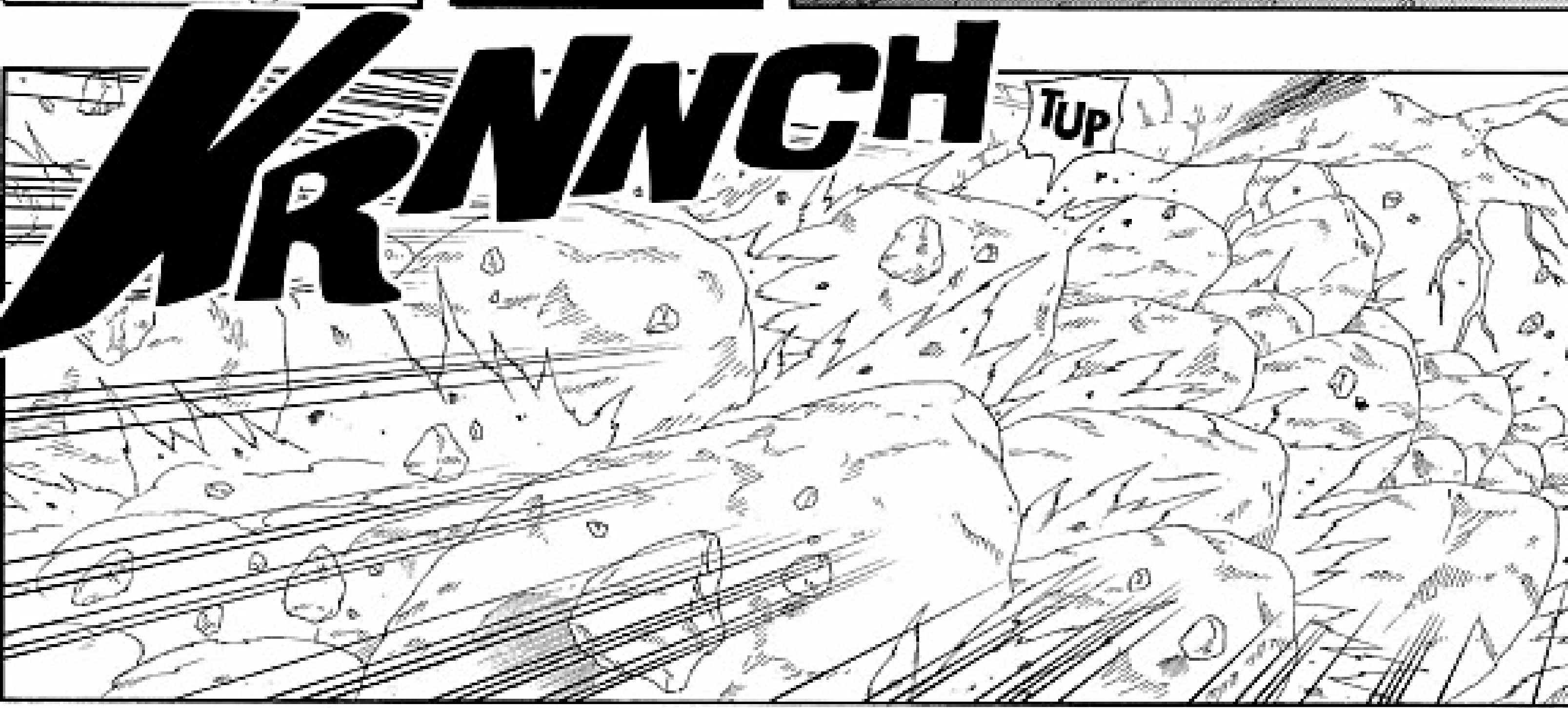

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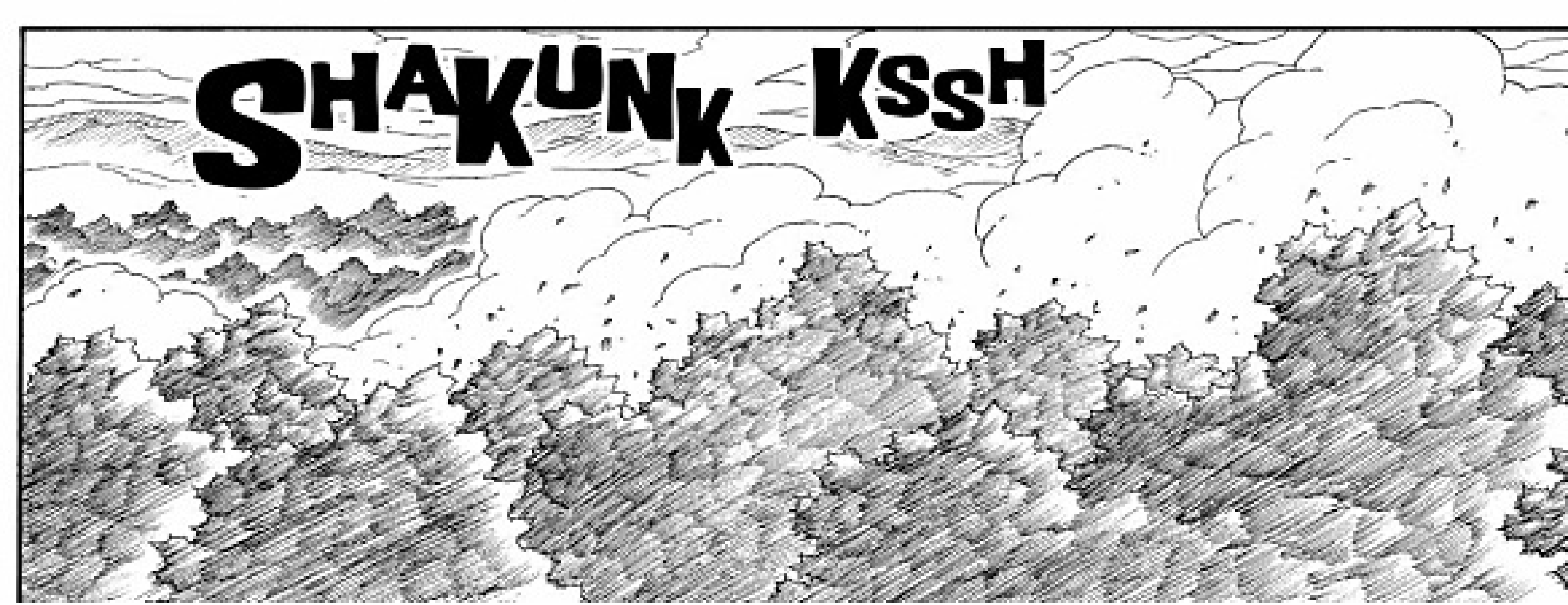

OBITO!!
KRNK
KRNK
KRNK



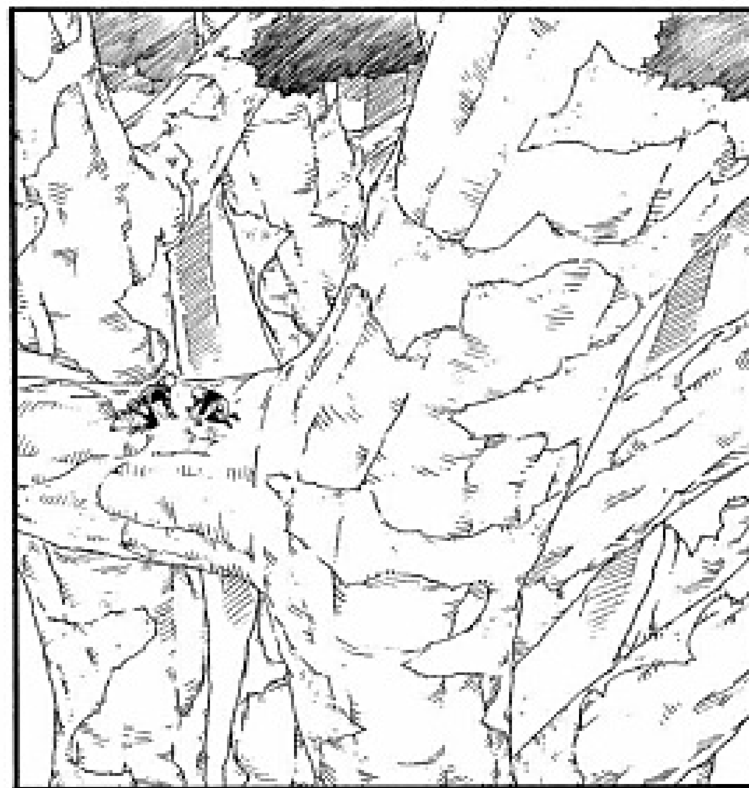
I WISH... WE COULD'VE GONE ON... TOGETHER... LONGER...



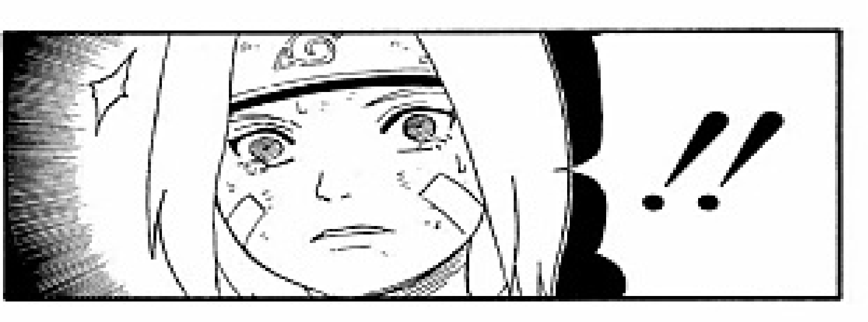


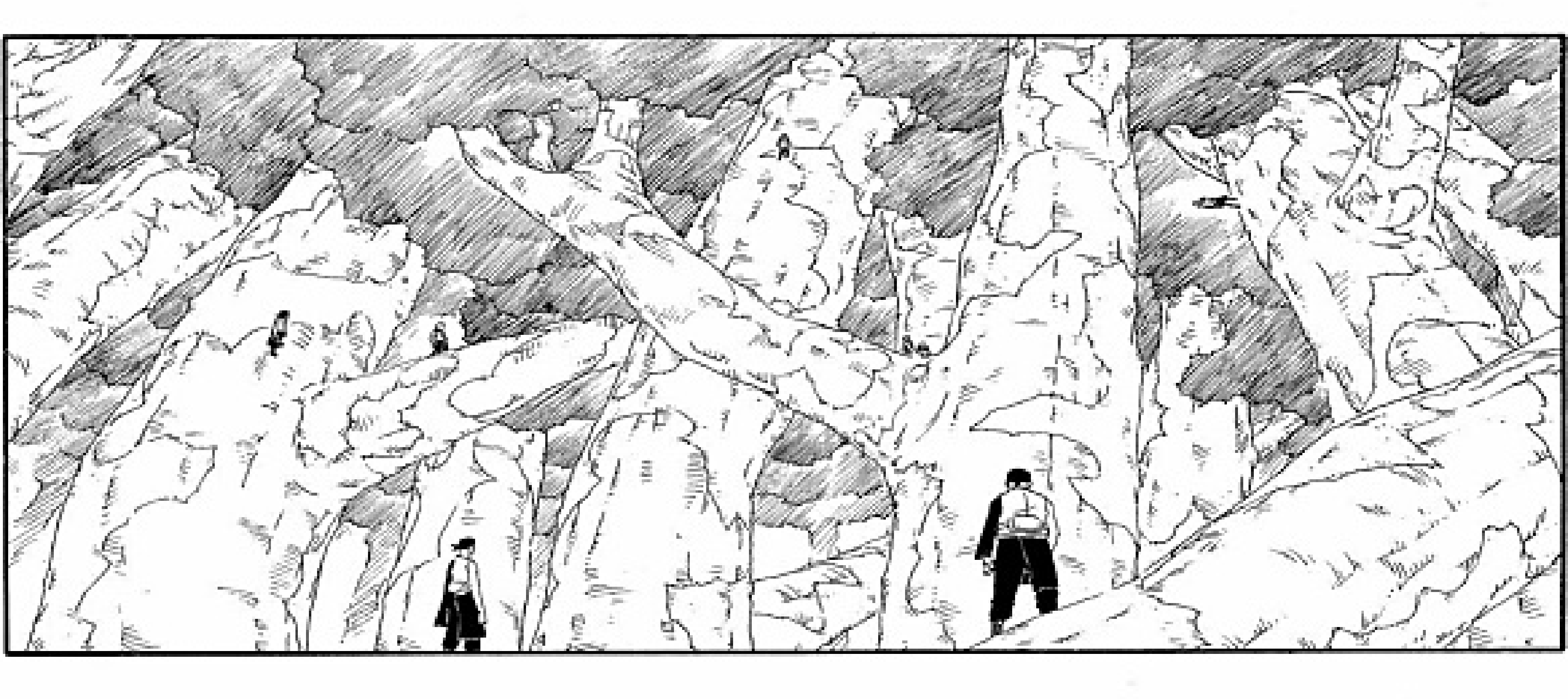



READ THIS WAY




HUF
HUF


!!



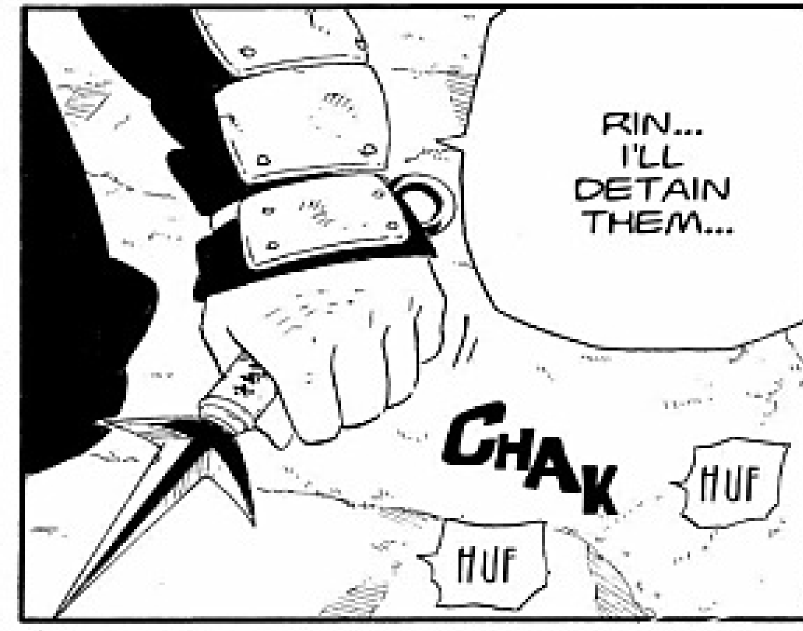

HUF
HUF
CRIPES...




...
OBITO...
YOU HELPED ME...
...PERFECT MY JUTSU...
!
CHIRP
CHIRP
KRAK

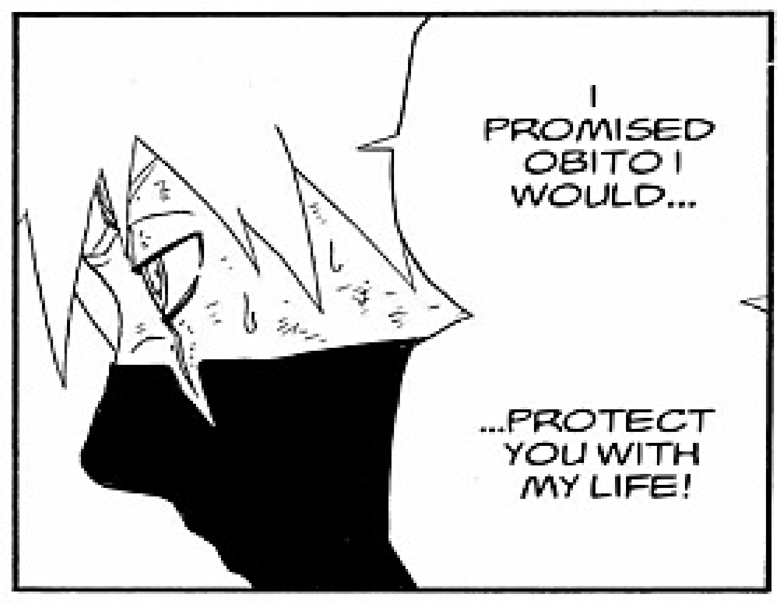

READ THIS WAY


HE'S STILL WILLING TO FIGHT.
NO WONDER HE COULD SNEAK SO DEEP INTO ENEMY TERRITORY...
HE'S GOT NERVE, THAT ONE.


RIN... I'LL DETAIN THEM...
CHAK
HUF
HUF

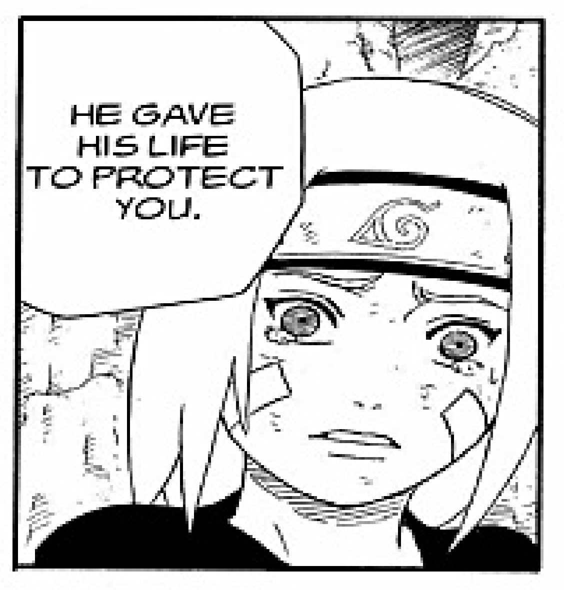

CHIRP
GO NOW...!
WSST


BUT...


I PROMISED OBITO I WOULD...
...PROTECT YOU WITH MY LIFE!

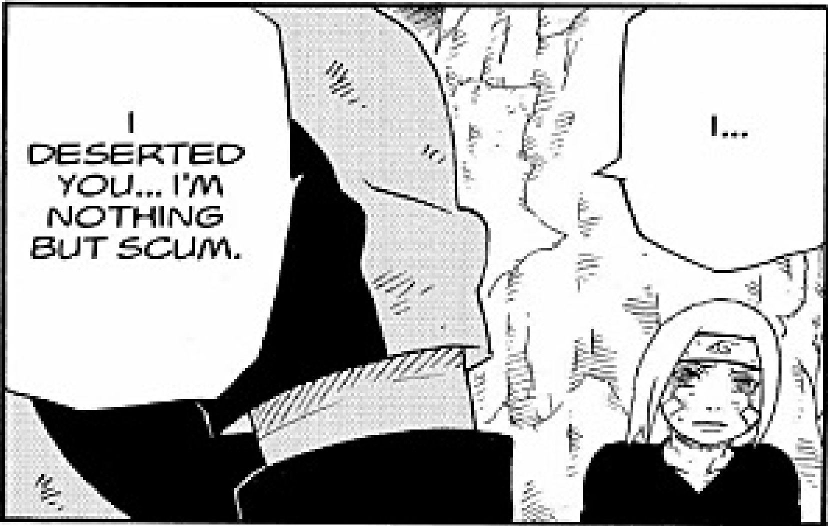

CHIRP
KAKA-SHI!

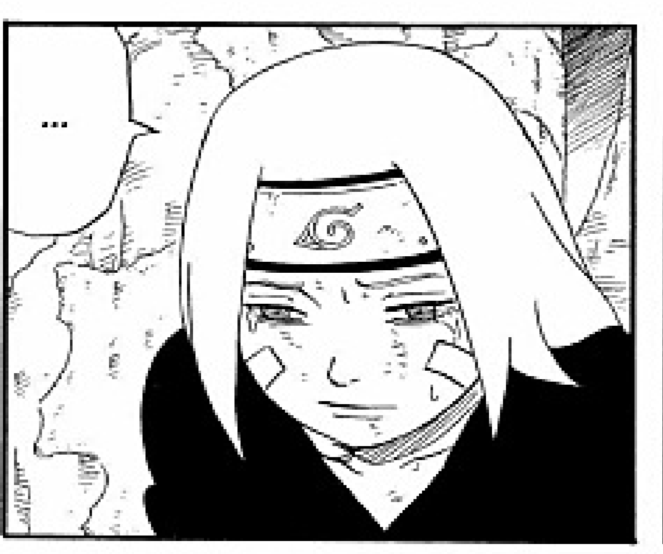
RIN...
OBITO...
HE LOVED YOU...
YOU WERE HIS ONLY ONE...

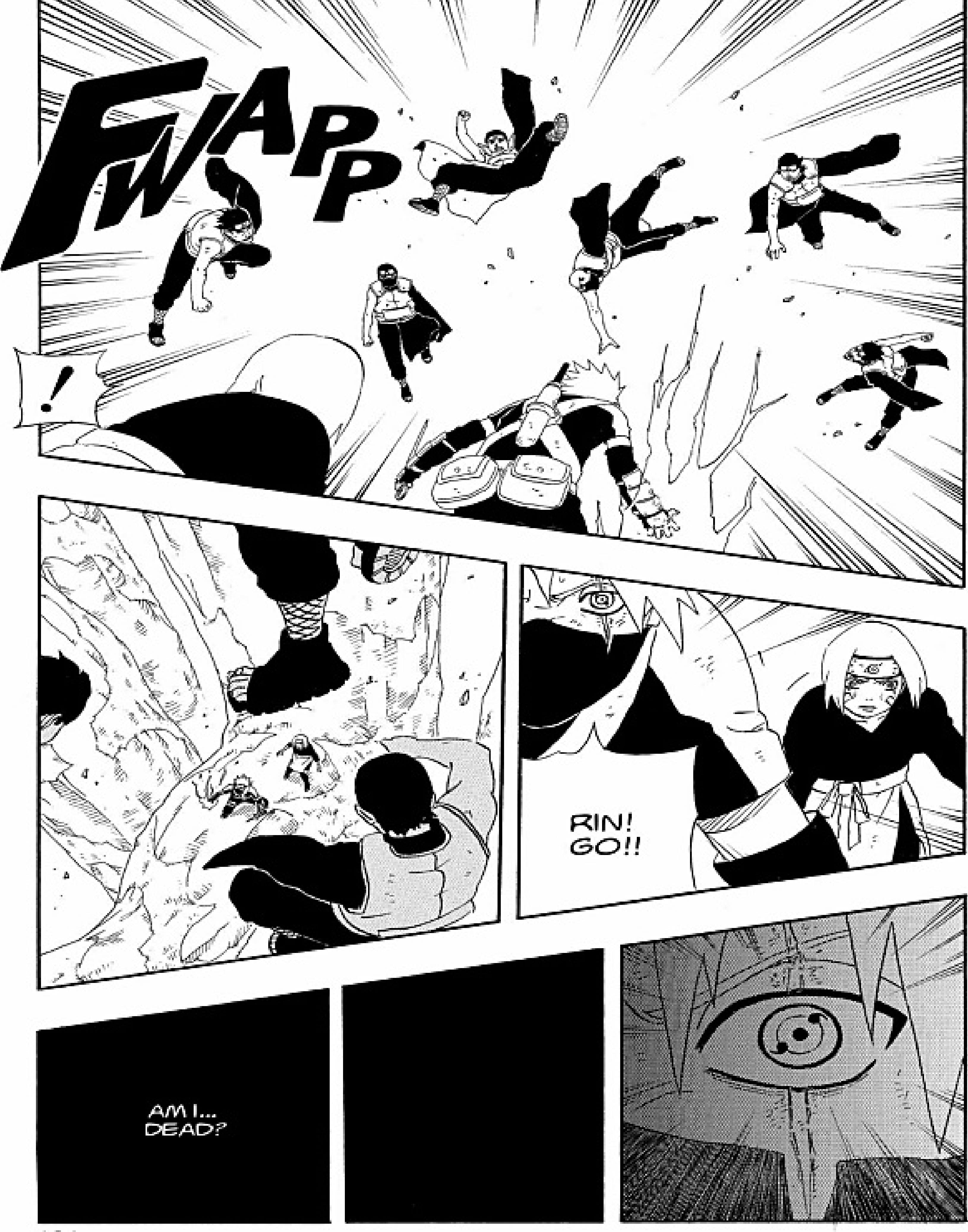


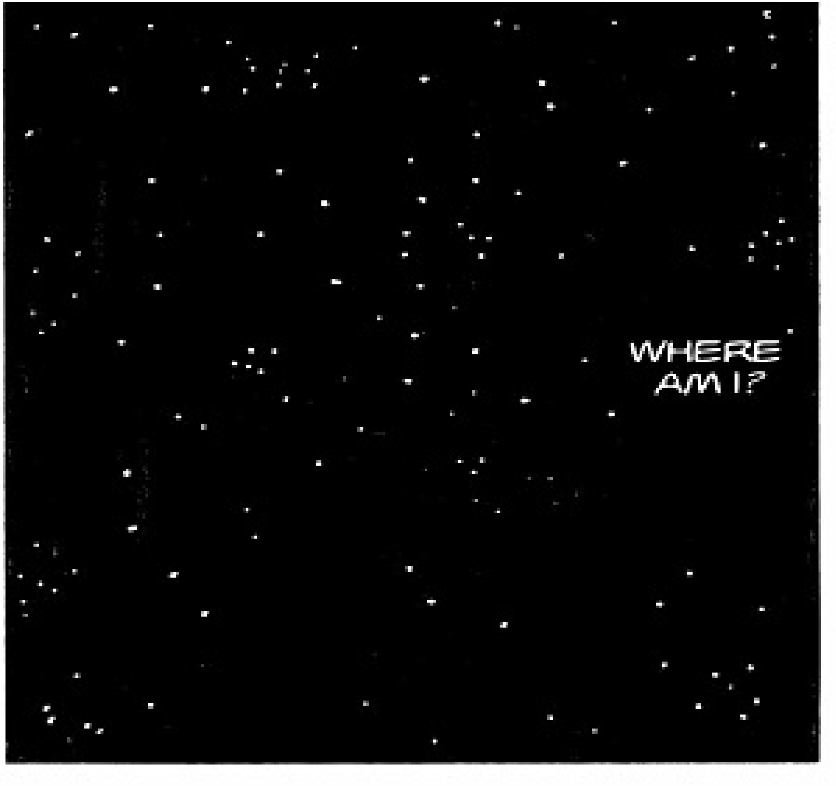


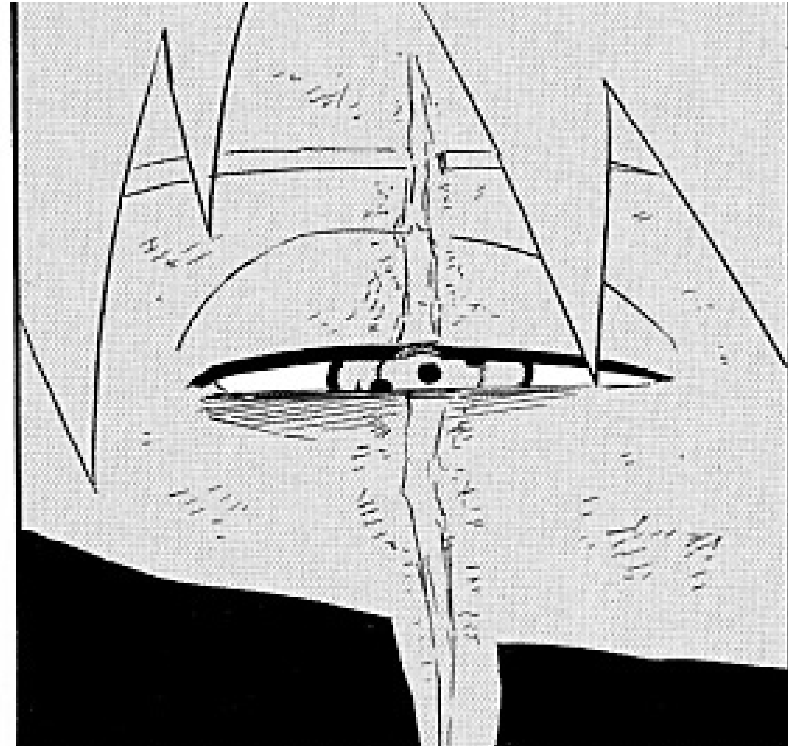


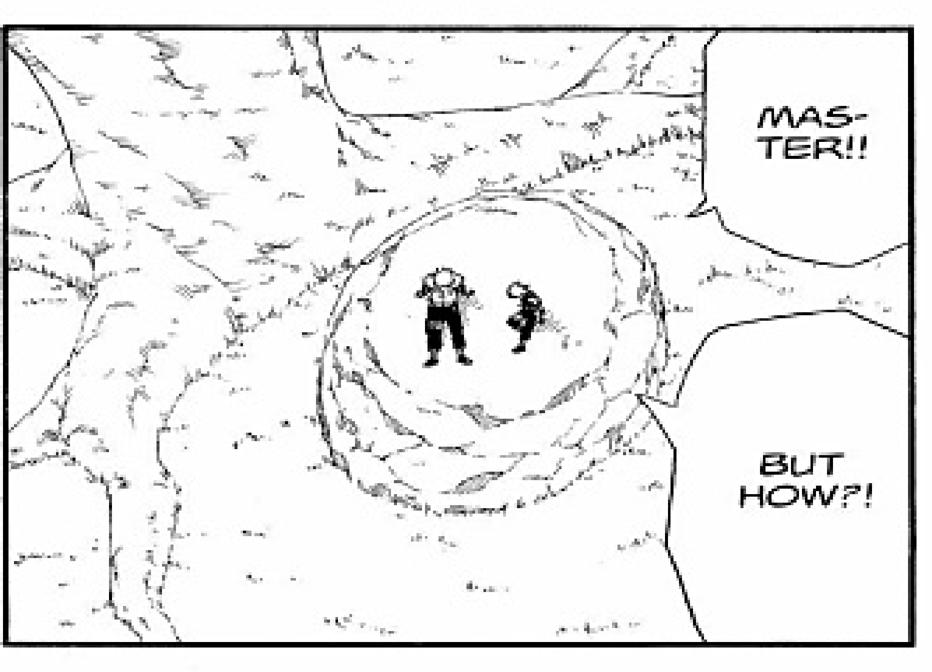




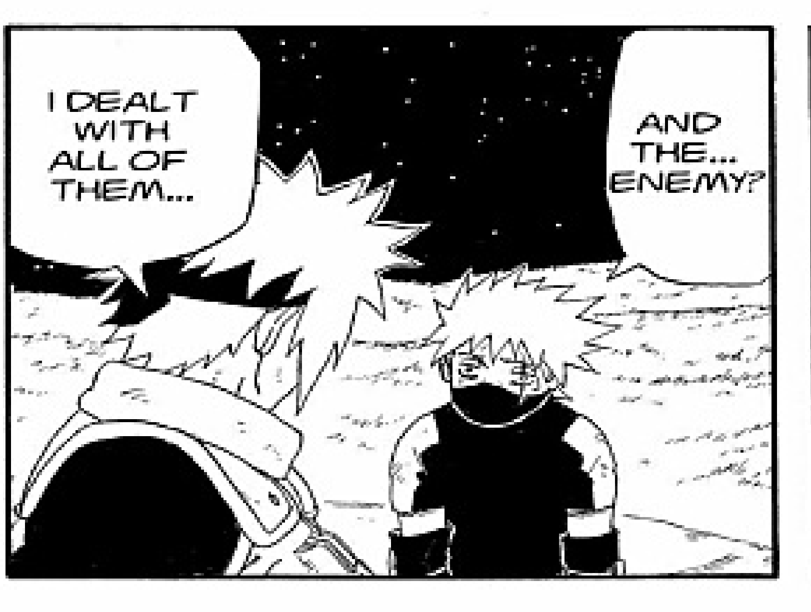

FWAPP
!
RIN! GO!!
AM I... DEAD?


WHERE AM I?




MAS-TER!!
BUT HOW?!


HM... YOU'RE AWAKE...


AND THE... ENEMY?
I DEALT WITH ALL OF THEM...

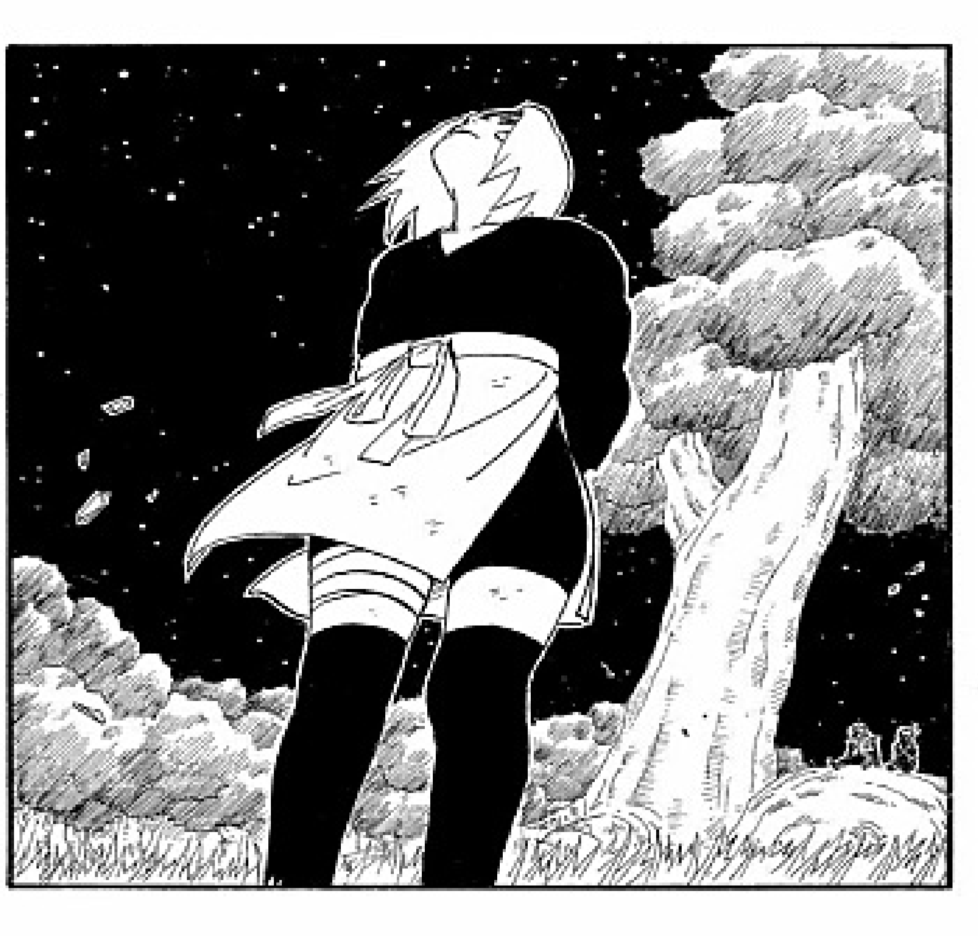

THE JUTSU FORMULA IN THIS KUNAI KNIFE SETS A MARK, ALLOWING ME TO QUICKLY HOP AROUND WITH MY TRANSPOR-TATION TECHNIQUE.
SST


READ
THIS
WAY

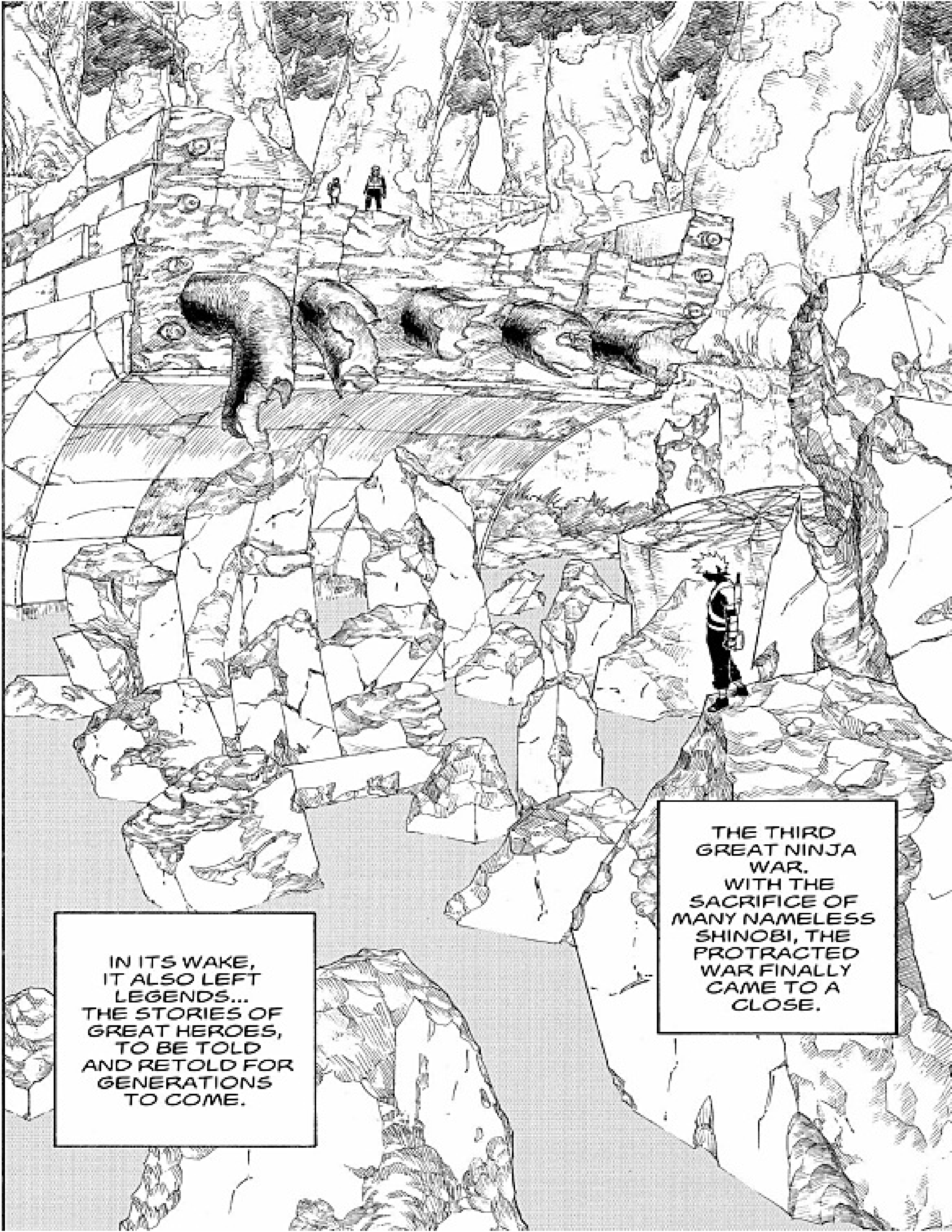

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WHAT ABOUT RIN?!
WHERE IS SHE?!
...

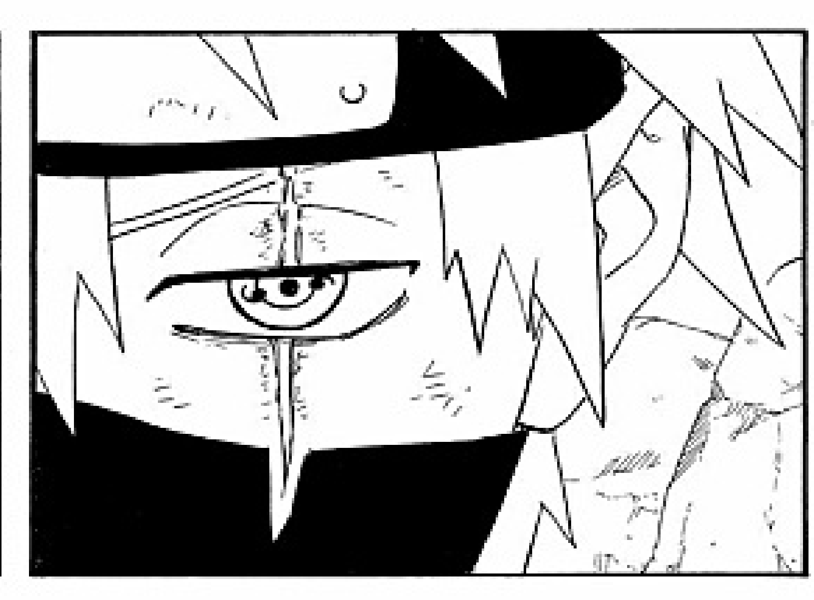

I'M SORRY I COULDN'T MAKE IT IN TIME, KAKASHI...
RIN TOLD ME EVERYTHING...

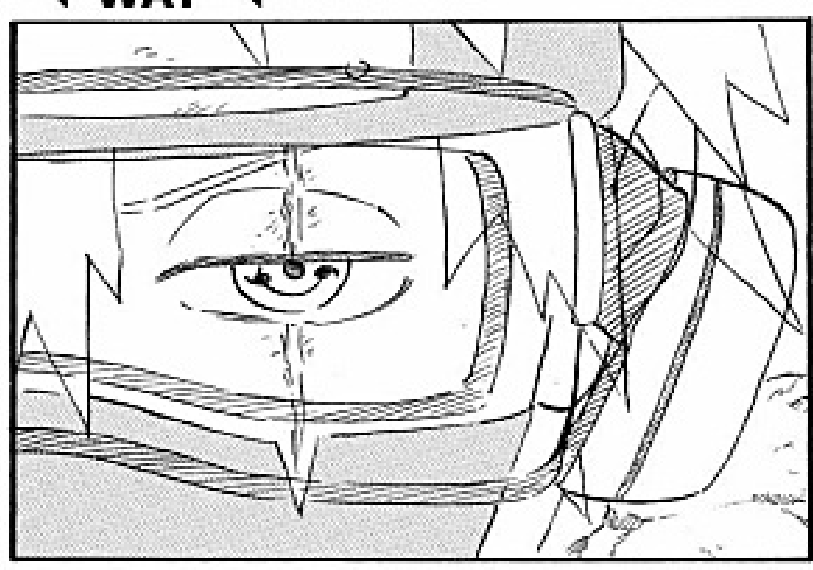


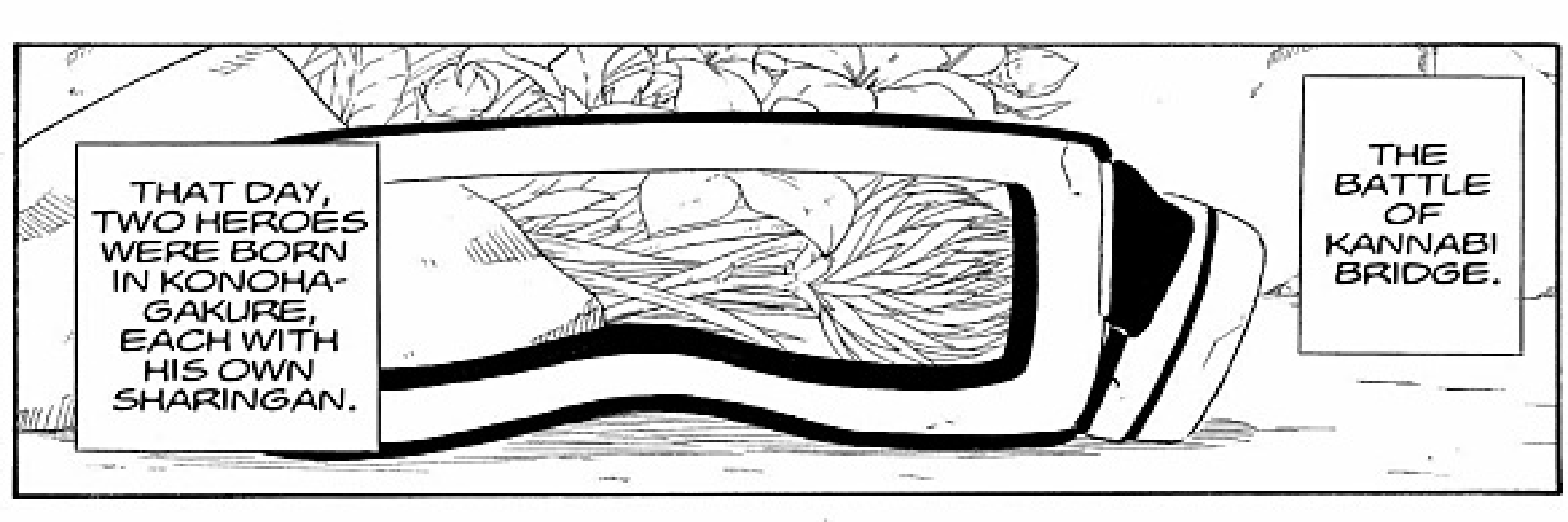



THE THIRD GREAT NINJA WAR. WITH THE SACRIFICE OF MANY NAMELESS SHINOBI, THE PROTRACTED WAR FINALLY CAME TO A CLOSE.
IN ITS WAKE, IT ALSO LEFT LEGENDS... THE STORIES OF GREAT HEROES, TO BE TOLD AND RETOLD FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.









ONE FOUND HIS NAME ENGRAVED ON THE MEMORIAL STONE...

THE OTHER CAME TO BE KNOWN AS KAKASHI OF THE SHARINGAN. IN TIME, THE TALES OF HIS BRAVERY SPANNED ALL BORDERS, AND BEYOND.